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1895-1896.

JAMES S. BAILEY, JACOB J. DETWILLER,
JOHN W. HARDENBERGH, JOHN M. JONES,
REUBEN SIMPSON.

JOHN M. JONES, PRESIDENT.
MARTIN FINCK, CLERK.

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MINUTES

1895--1896.

ORGANIZATION MEETING.

A meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, April 23, 1895, at twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of organizing.

Present—James S. Bailey, Jacob J. Detwiller, John W. Hardenbergh, John M. Jones and Reuben Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

The meeting was called to order by Martin Finck, Clerk, who then read the following official communications:—

From His Honor the Mayor:—

JERSEY CITY, N. J., April 22, 1895.

Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen,—I beg to inform your Hon. Board that, pursuant to the provisions of an act entitled "An act concerning the government of cities of this State," approved April 6, A. D. 1889, I have appointed the following persons to the positions designated:—

Mr. James S. Bailey, member of the Board of Finance, for the term of two years from April 23, A. D. 1895, to succeed himself.

Mr. Jacob J. Detwiller, member of the Board of Finance, for the term of two years from April 23, 1895, to succeed himself.

Very respectfully yours,
PETER F. WANSER,
Mayor.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., April 22, 1895.

Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—I beg to inform your Honorable Board, that pursuant to the provisions of an act entitled, "An Act concerning the government of cities of this State," approved April 6, A. D., 1889, I have appointed the following named persons to the positions designated:—

Mr. Samuel D. Dickinson, City Treasurer, for the term of two years, from April 23, A. D. 1895, to succeed himself.

Mr. George R. Hough, City Comptroller, for the term of two years, from April 23, A. D. 1895, to succeed himself.

Very respectfully yours,
PETER F. WANSER,
Mayor.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., April 22, 1895.

Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—I beg to inform your Honorable Board, that pursuant to the provisions of an act entitled, "An Act concerning the government of cities of this State," approved April 6, A. D., 1889, I have appointed the following named persons to the positions designated:—

Mr. John P. Feeney, Police Commissioner, for the term of three years, from April 23, A. D. 1895, to succeed himself.

Mr. Robert McAndrew, Sinking Fund Commissioner, for the term of three years, from April 23, A. D. 1895, to succeed Mr. Daniel Moriarity, whose term expires April 23, A. D. 1895.

Dr. Leonard J. Gordon, member of the Board of Free Public Library Trustees,

for the term of five years, from April 23, A. D. 1895, the last named appointment being made pursuant to the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to authorize the establishment of Free Public Libraries in the cities of this State," approved April 1, A. D 1884.

Very respectfully yours,
PETER F. WANSER,
Mayor.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., April 22, 1895.

Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—I beg to inform your Honorable Board, that I have appointed Mr. James C. Clarke, Tax Commissioner, for the term of three years, from April 23, A. D. 1895, to succeed himself, pursuant to the provisions of a act entitled "An Act concerning the government of cities of this State," approved April 6, A. D. 1889.

Very respectfully yours,
PETER F. WANSER,
Mayor.

From the City Clerk:—

JERSE CITY, April 22, 1895.

To the Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—I beg leave to inform your Hon. Board, that I have administered the oath of office to the following named persons to the positions designated, based upon the certificate of appointment presented to me by each, in proper form and under the hand of His Honor, the Mayor:—

Messrs. James S. Bailey and Jacob J. Detwiller, as members of the Board of Finance.

Mr. George R. Hough, as Comptroller.

Mr. James C. Clarke, as Tax Commissioner.

Mr. John P. Feeney, as Police Commissioner.

Mr. Leonard J. Gordon, as Free Public Library Trustee, and

Mr. Robert McAndrew, as member of Sinking Fund Commission.

Respectfully,
EDWARD W. WOOLLEY,
City Clerk.

JERSEY CITY, April 22, 1895.

To the Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—I have the honor to inform you that the oath of office has been administered to Mr. Samuel D. Dickinson as City Treasurer, based upon certificate of appointment issued by His Honor the Mayor, and duly presented in this office.

Very respectfully,
EDWARD W. WOOLLEY,
City Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Simpson, Mr. Detwiller was selected as temporary Chairman

The Board then went into an election for Permanent President.

Mr. Hardenbergh nominated Mr. John M. Jones.

No other nominations were made.

A ballot was taken, Mr. Hardenbergh acting as teller, with the following result:—

Mr. John M. Jones received four (4) votes.

One (1) blank was cast.

The chair then declared Mr. John M. Jones duly elected President of the Board for the ensuing year.

In assuming the chair, President Jones thanked the Board for the honor conferred upon him.

On motion of Mr. Simpson, the Board then went into an election for Clerk of the Board.

Mr. Simpson nominated Mr. Martin Finck.

No other nominations were made.

A ballot was taken, Mr. Hardenbergh acting as teller, with the following result:—

Mr. Martin Finck received five (5) votes, the unanimous vote of the Board.

The President then declared Mr. Martin Finck duly elected Clerk of the Board for the ensuing year.

On motion of Mr. Detwiller, the Board then went into an election for an assistant to the Clerk of the Board.

Mr. Detwiller nominated Mr. Winfield C. Dunn.

No other nomination was made.

A ballot was taken, Mr. Hardenbergh acting as teller, with the following result:—

Mr. Winfield C. Dunn received five (5) votes, the unanimous vote of the Board.

The President then declared Mr. Winfield C. Dunn duly elected as Assistant to the Clerk of the Board.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Bailey moved that when this Board adjourns, it be to meet on Friday, April 26, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

The communications from His Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk, presented at this meeting, were each received, ordered spread in full upon the minutes and filed, on motion of Mr. Detwiller.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the rules of the preceeding Board be and are hereby adopted for the government of this Board, until otherwise ordered.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a special committee of three on rules for the government of the Board, be appointed by the chair..

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That the salary of Martin Finck, Clerk of this Board, be and the same is hereby fixed at the the rate of $150 per month.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That the salary of Winfield

C. Dunn, Assistant to the Clerk of this Board, be and the same is hereby fixed at the rate of $83.33 per month..

On motion of Mr.. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, on Friday, April 26, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey and Hardenbergh—3.

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Simpson —2.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

A communication from C. C. Vermeule, for H. J. Reilly and Carroll—Porter Boiler and Tank Company, dated New York, April 26, 1895, relative to a new water supply for Jersey City, was presented and the same was received and ordered filed.

The following official bonds were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance:—

Of Michael A. Shannon, as Constable, for the Fourth Aldermanic District, in the sum of $1,000, with Jacob Faller and Wm. W. Davidson, as sureties.

Of Daniel J. Harper, as Constable, for the Third Aldermanic District, in the sum of $1,000, with George B. Harper and John Donlon as sureties.

Of John Jelly, as Constable, for the Third Aldermanic District, in the sum of $1,000, with Fred W. Payne and John Mitchell as sureties.

Of John Glynn, Jr., as Constable, for the Fifth Aldermanic district, in the sum of $1,000, with Philip Tumilty and Henry Ewald, as sureties.

Of Edward H. Martin, as Constable, for the Sixth Aldermanic District, in the sum of $1,000, with Frank Roehrenbeck and Thos. Cogan as sureties.

Of Henry Mades, as Constable, for the Sixth Aldermanic District, in the sum of $1,000, with Joseph Zumbusch and Charles Kuederly as sureties, of Samuel D. Dickinson, as City Treasurer, in the sum of $100.000, with P. H. Nugent, J. D. Carscallen, Oliver H. Perry and Dennis McLaughlin as sureties, of George R. Hough, as City Comptroller, in the sum of $50,000, with Patrick J. Condon, Hugh Dugan, Charles Turner and W. H. Ewald as ureties.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—of Andrew J. Boyle, $28.00 and $8.00, Martin Finck $13.20, N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., $637.00, $710.50 and $487.50.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the City Treasurer:—

Jersey City, April 26, 1895.

Hon. Board of Finance,

Jersey City, N. J.

Gentlemen:—I hereby inform you that I have appointed William F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer, to date from April 23, 1895.

Very respectfully,

S. D. Dickinson,

City Treasurer.

Received and ordered filed.

From the City Collector:—

JERSEY CITY, April 24, 1895.

Hon. Board of Finance, Jersey City, N. J.:—

Gentlemen—Herewith please find a list of persons who have paid their "Personal Taxes" for 1893, since my last report to your honorable Board.

Yours truly,

S. H. SMITH,

City Collector.

The communication and the list accompanying the same were received and ordered filed.

The following resolutions were presented by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, and they were received and disposed of as follows:

1. To pay claims of John Hannon, for $430.50 and $72.00.
$430.50 and $72. (Adopted April 25, 1895.)

2. To award to Edward O'Neill the contract for the construction of a 30-inch brick oval sewer in Fulton avenue, from Bergen Avenue to Van Cleef Street, and a 12-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Fulton Avenue from Corcoran Street to Van Cleef street. (Adopted April 25, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurcurrent Resolutions.

3. Requesting the Board of Finance to provide for the issuance of such bonds as are necessary to permit the erection of required school buildings in the city (in accordance with the communication from the Board of Education, submitted April 8, 1895,) which issuance is made permissive by an enactment of the last Legislature.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported recommending that the following official bonds, referred to them, be received and approved, and that they be spread at large upon the bond book and ordered filed:—Of Samuel D. Dickinson, as City Treasurer, George R. Hough, as City Comptroller, and of Henry Mades, Edward H. Martin, John Jelly, and John Glynn, Jr., as Constables.

The report was received,the recommendations therein contained were adopted, and the bonds were each approved, ordered spread in full upon the bond book and filed, by the following vote on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey and Hardenberg, (3.)

Nays—None.

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Simpson,(2.)

The Committee on Salary and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—The Jersey City News, for publishing "Martin Act" notes, $70. Martin Finck, taking acknowledgments (as Com-

missioner of Deeds) of the City Collector to certicate of tax sales, $13.20.

(Both chargeable to "Martin Act" account.)

Andrew J. Boyle, fees due him as Clerk of Second "Criminal Court," for February, 1895, (under Act of February 19, 1895, $8.

Andrew J. Boyle, fees due him as Clerk to 2d "Criminal Court," for March, 1895 (under act of March 19, 1895), $28.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote, on the call of yeas and nays by the president:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey and Hardenburg, 3.

Nays—None.

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Simpson, (2).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Bailey moved, that when the Board adjourn it be to meet on Tuesday, April 30, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

The President here announced the following committees:

Special Committee on Rules for the Government of the Board: Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Detwiller.

Standing Committees:

Finance: Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh.

Concurred Resolutions: Detwiller, Simpson and Bailey.

Salaries and Claims—Hardenbergh, Detwiller and Simpson.

Printing, Stationery and Supplies—Simpson, Hardenbergh and Bailey.

The following resolutions were presented and received, and they were each adopted by the following vote, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey and Hardenbergh (3).

Nays—None.

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Simpson (2).

By Mr. Bailey.

Resolved, That a warrant ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Sinking Fund Commission for the sum of $2,437.50 on account of 25 per cent. of the liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1894.

By Mr. Bailey.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $4,875.00, to transfer said amount from liquor license account to special street account, being 50 per cent. of liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1894.

By M. Bailey.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that official for the sum of $1,952.10 and $485.40, to transfer said amounts from liquor license account to special school account, being 25 per cent. of the liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1894.

The Board then adjourned on motion of Mr. Hardenbergh.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Tuesday, April 30, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh—4.

Absent—Mr. Simpson—1.

The regular order of business was then taken up.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Theodore Schmid, for the return of $21.89, duplicate payment of taxes, years 1893 and 1894.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

A communication, dated New York, April 30, 1895, was presented by Carroll-Porter Boiler and Tank Company.

C. C. Vermeule, by H. J. Reilly, contractor, calling the attention of this Board to various points in the bid of the Jersey City Water Company, accepted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, which should be carefully considered at this time by the Board of Finance.

Communication received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:

J. Herbert Potts, $132.00, James F. Norton, $88; Jersey City News, $87.50 and $26.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the City Comptroller:

Jersey City, April 30, 1895.

Hon. Board of Finance:

Gentlemen—You are hereby notified that I have appointed Mr. Charles S. Westervelt Deputy City Comptroller of Jersey City, in accordance with Sec. 1, of an act entitled "An Act concerning the government of cities of this State," approved April 6, 1889.

Respectfully,

GEO. R. HOUGH,

City Comptroller.

Received and ordered filed.

The following official bonds were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance:—

Philip M. Kaiser as Constable from the Fifth Aldermanic District, in the sum of $1,000, with Henry Windecker and Albertina Kaiser, as sureties.

Charles S. Westervelt, as Deputy City Comptroller, in the sum of $50.000, with Abram Post, Andrew McKnight, John H. Fenner, Patrick O'Neill and Gilbert Collins, as sureties.

George Schaaf, as constable from the Third Aldermanic district, in the sum of $1,000, with Jacob Witterschein and Charles Harris as sureties.

Daniel T. Barrett, as constable from the First Aldermanic district, in the sum of $1,000, with George Bannon, Jr., and George Bannon, Sr., as sureties.

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and disposed of as follows:—

1. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted April 29, 1895.)

2. Authorizing the change of grade on Columbia avenue, from Zabriskie street to a point 500 feet north of Lincoln street.

(Adopted April 29, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

The following communications were also received from the above named Board, and they were each referred to the Committee of the Whole on motion of Mr. Detwiller.

1. Copy of the report of the Committee of the Whole on the subject of a new water supply for Jersey City.

(Adopted April 29, 1895.)

2. Resolution as follows (adopted April 29, 1895):—

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance the contract to provide the material and furnish the labor and produce the results required in Specification C, heretofore approved for the furnishing of a new water supply for this city be awarded to the Jersey City Water Company on the basis of and in accordance with plans and specifications and analysis submitted by said company and at the prices named in their proposal, designated bid B, submitted to this Board, March 25, 1895, viz.:—

Bid B—For water delivered at a minimum consumption of twenty million gallons per day, so that a maximum supply of fifty million gallons per day can be furnished, using one supply main capable of delivering fifty million gallons per day, at the following schedule per million gallons:—

For each million gallons up to twenty million gallons daily, thirty-nine ($39.75) dollars and seventy-five cents.

For each million gallons between twenty and twenty-five million gallons daily, thirty-seven ($37) dollars.

For each million gallons between twenty-five and thirty million gallons daily, thirty-five ($35) dollars.

For each million gallons between thirty and thirty-five million gallons daily, thirty-two ($32) dollars.

For each million gallons between thirty-five and forty million gallons daily, twenty-nine ($29) dollars.

For each million gallons between forty and forty-five million gallons daily, twenty-seven ($27) dollars.

For each million gallons between forty-five and fifty million gallons daily, twenty-five ($25) dollars.

With an additional gate at intake, as provided in the specifications:—

For the plant, water supply, water right, storage reservoirs, pipe lines, lands and rights of way, and all appurtenances and easements necessary to fulfill the requirements of this specifica-

tion to the extent of fifty million gallons of water daily forever, which purchase can be made at any time within twenty years after the first delivery of water.

With one supply main the sum of $7,000,000 (seven million dollars) payment therefor to be made in such manner and upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by said Board of Finance and agreeable with the offer of said company and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported, recommending that the following official bonds be received and approved, and that they be spread at large upon the bond book and filed:—

Charles S. Westervelt, as Deputy City Comptroller, in the sum of $50,000, with Abram Post, Andrew McKnight, John H. Fenner, Patrick O'Neill and Gilbert Collins as sureties.

Philip M. Kaiser, as Constable from the Fifth Aldermanic district, in the sum of $1,000, with Henry Windecker and Albertina Kaiser as sureties.

The report was received and the bonds were each approved by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the following claims:

April 22, 1895—United Gas and Impt Co., $23.70; R. D. Urquhart, $99.50; W. J. Burns, $19.30; J. F. Underhill, $37.93; Duhme & Troll, $18.50 and $41.06; J. C. News, $24; W. H. Black, 42c.; J. C. Printing Co., $51; J. Rennie Smith, $16; C. Steck & Son, $5; Vanderbeek & Sons, $47.47, $31.94 and $145.65; M. T. Connolly, $593; United Gas Impt. Co., $10.50 and $10.80.

April 29, 1895—Albert Datz, $193.75, $69; $86.50, $9.50 and $151.25; John S. McDonald, $133.88 and $64.56; Duhme & Troll, $36; John Baird, $32; Brinckman & Hauck, $96.90; Anderson Bros., $2.25; Washburn Bros., $11.45; Henry Stuhr, $14.74; F. A. Smith, $17.24; Edward O'Donnell, $81.96; Mackey, Young & Co., $10; W. W. Farrier, $30.85, $173.52, $165.56 and $9.35; National Meter Co., $71.75 and $9; H. F. Hayes, $75; J. C. News, $120.70; Chas. Crouse & Co., $25; N.Y & N. J. Tel. Co., $105.20, $51.20, $42.45, $12.80 and $8.30; C. L. Rugge, $76.01 and $57.91; R. D. Urquhart, $68.55; United Gas Impt. Co., $13.20, $13.50, $11.40, $3 and 75c., F. P. Woodcock, $31.04; Wood & Menagh, $134.75.

2. To award the contract to Edward O'Neill for the construction of a 30-inch brick oval sewer in Fulton avenue from Bergen avenue to Van Cleef street, and a 12-inch pipe sewer in Fulton avenue, etc.

(Adopted April 25, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid $430.50 and $72 to John Hannon.

(Adopted April 25, 1895.)

4. Fixing the salary of Patrick Long, laborer, repairing water pipe (appointed April 22, 1895), at $2 per day, when engaged, and fixing the salary of Theodore Mendles, Reservoir Keeper at High Service, at $60 per month.

(Adopted April 22, 1895.)

The report was received and the resolutions therein contained were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

J. Herbert Potts, Judge, First Criminal Court, for month of April, 1895, fees under Act of February 19, 1895, $132 (chargeable to account fees received from Criminal Courts).

James F. Norton, Clerk, First Criminal Court, for month of April, 1895, fees under Act of February 19, 1895, $88 (chargeable to account fees received from Criminal Courts).

Jersey City News, advertising Martin Act notices, $87.50. (chargeable to account of Martin Act).

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of a resolution ordering paid the following claim:—

Jersey City News, for printing manual slips, pages 146-158 (inclusive), Board of Finance, $26.

The report was received and the claim was ordered paid by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby directed to transfer the sum of $19.09 inadvertently paid December 8th, 1893, for taxes on lots 448 and 449, Block 189, West Side avenue, for year 1893, to the credit of lots 450 and 451, Block 189, the property owned by J. Wallace Black, and intended to have been paid upon the date above mentioned.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, At a public sale made by the City Collector of Jersey City on the 25th day of October, 1894, one H. F. Knapp purchased, for the sum of $19.61, that lot or plot of land fronting on Myrtle avenue, Jersey City, which is laid down and designated as lot 41, in Block 730, upon an assessment map annexed to report number 78, made by the Commissioners of Adjustment, acertified copy of said report and map was filed in the office of the City Collector of Jersey City, on March 22d, 1892, and

Whereas, It appears upon examination of the tax book of Jersey City that lot 41 is the same property formally known as lot 17, in Block 730, and

Whereas, The taxes for the years 1888, 1889 and 1890 were included in the sale in error through the changing of the numbers, notwithstanding the fact that the taxes of those years were paid; therefore be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of H. F. Knapp for the sum of $47.11, to return amount paid to city ($19.61) on October 25th, 1894, and legal expenses, allowed by the Mayor ($27.50), said warrant to be delivered upon surrender of certificate of sale, and be it further

Resolved, That the City Clerk of Jersey City be and he is hereby directed to cancel the record of said sale of lot 41, Block 730, Myrtle avenue, sold to H. F. Knapp on October 25th, 1894.

On motion of Mr. Detwiller the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, May 2, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

The roll was called at 11:30 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The reading of the minutes of the following meetings—organization meeting, April 23, and adjourned meetings, April 26 and 30, 1895—was dispensed with, and the said minutes were approved as printed in the manual form, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Communications, relative to the contemplated new water supply, were presented by the Jersey City Water Company, N. A. Reed and the East Jersey Water Company, and they were received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The following communications were presented, received and referred to the Finance Committee:—

JERSEY CITY, May 1, 1895.

GEORGE R. HOUGH, Esq.,

City Comptroller.

Dear Sir,—The Evening Journal Association, the owner of certificates numbered 149, 172 and 189 of the Commissioners for the continuance of the Ravine Road sewer, which certificates are for $39.50, $57.00 and $93.50, respectively, has placed the same in our hands for collection, and we hereby respectfully demand payment thereof.

Yours very truly,
COLLINS & CORBIN.

(Respectfully referred to the Board of Finance,

GEORGE R. HOUGH,
City Comptroller.)

JERSEY CITY, May 2, 1895.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Evening Journal Association, $339.60; T. Y. Brown, $45; and N. Y. and N. J. Tel. Co., $5.25 and $10.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The folowing official bonds were presented, received and referred to the Finance Committee:—

Of Harry Joseph & Co., as pawnbrokers, in the sum of $500, with Bernard Shenan and Charles W. Kasang as sureties.

Of Wm. F. Ely, as Deputy City Treasurer, in the sum of $50,000, with Rebecca Ely, John H. Heye and John Wheelihan as sureties.

Of Joseph Locke, as constable, in the sum of $1,000, with John McCarty and Ernst J. Leonard as sureties.

From the City Collector:—

JERSEY CITY, May 1, 1895.

Hon. Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen,—Herewith I send for your consideration statement showing taxes and assesments due from N. Y., L. E. & W. R. R. and Long Dock Company, amounting to $215,358.67, which have been adjusted in reports No. 35 to 86 and held out of the several sales by order of the court.

Yours truly,
S. H. SMITH,
City Collector.

(Statement.)

Taxes and assessments against N. Y., L. E. & W. R. R. and Long Dock Co., adjusted and held out of sales by order of the court:—

Report No. 35, adjusted June 8, 1889	$138,142 80
Report No. 36, adjusted July 26, 1889	12,142 53
Report No. 60, adjusted October 15, 1890	3,586 61
Report No. 72, adjusted July 16, 1891	7,447 72
Report No. 76, adjusted December 2, 1891	5,291 69
Report No. 79, adjusted April 19, 1892	43,552 01
Report No. 85, adjusted August 30, 1892	1,685 61
Report No. 86, adjusted January 5, 1893	3,509 70
	$215,358 67

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel, to report at a future meeting.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported recommending that the following official bonds be received and approved, and that they be spread at large upon the bond book and filed:—

Of William F. Ely, as Deputy City Treasurer, and Joseph Locke, as Constable.

The report was received and the bonds were each approved by the following vote, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee on Rules reported recommending that the rules of the preceding Board be adopted for the government of this Board.

Report was received, and the recommendations therein contained were adopted.

Mr. Simpson moved that when this Board adjourns, it be to meet on Friday, May 3, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.
Adopted.

The Board then adjourned, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

On Friday, May 3, 1895, at the hour of 8:45 o'clock P. M., in the regular meeting room of the Board of Finance, at the City Hall, I called the roll of membership of the Board of Finance, no one of whom responded, all of said members being absent.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, May 9, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

The call for the meeting, which was for the transaction of "General Business," included in the regular "order of business" of the Board, and issued by the President, was read by the Clerk.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of James Gleason for the return of $147.27 surplus paid in redemption of lands sold for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc.

Received and referred to Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Communication from John Griffin, calling attention to the judgment obtained against the city in favor of Frank McDermott for $69.90 and $3.55 costs, and requesting settlement.

Received and referred to Committee on Finance.

The following official bonds were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance:

Edward W. Woolley, as City Clerk, in the sum of $25,000, with Horace H. Farrier, William W. Farrier, John Bumsted, James Warner and Theodore Smith as sureties.

John H. Masker, as Constable, from the First Aldermanic District, in the sum of $1,000, with James F. Gannon and Cornelius J. Cronin as sureties.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:

Wood & Menagh, $4.50; Martin Finck, $26.55; Andrew J. Boyle, $36; W. P. Douglas, $54.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the City Collector:

Jersey City, May 9, 1895.

Honorable Board of Finance, Jersey City:

Gentlemen,—I find on the books of this office, uncancelled, taxes on the Pennsylvania R. R. Grain Elevator, as follows:

For year	1883	$ 18,040
For year	1884	16,390
For year	1885	17,520
For year	1886	17,640
For year	1887	17,280
For year	1888	17,850
For year	1889	16,800
Total of		$121,550

All of which I understand have been set aside and cancelled by the Supreme Court, and no record in this office, showing such action by the Court. If your honorable board find the facts to be as herein stated I would ask that you take such action as will cancel the same.

Yours truly,

S. H. SMITH,
Collector.

Received and referred to Corporation Counsel.

A further communication was received from the City Collector notifying Board of Finance that he has received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, for collection in his office, the following assessment maps:—

Improvement of Orient avenue from Bergen avenue to Jackson avenue, $7,818.50.

Improvement of Park street from Communipaw avenue to Astor place, $7,772.50.

Received and ordered filed.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners.

Resolution (adopted May 3, 1895).

To award to P. J. Mullery the contract for the construction of a 20-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Griffith street, from the west side of Milton avenue to the sewer under the east sidewalk on Hudson County Public Road.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported recommending that the following official bonds be received and approved, and that they be spread at large upon the bond book and ordered filed.

Edward W. Woolley as City Clerk in the sum of $25,000; Daniel J. Harper, constable, in the sum of $1,000, and John H. Masker, constable, in the sum of $1,000.

The report was received and the bonds were each approved by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the Preshident:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committeee on Concurrent Resolutions reportedrecommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1 Authorizing the changing of grade on Columbia avenue from Zabriskie street to a point 500 feet north of Lincoln street.

(Adopted April 29, 1895.)

2. To award to P. J. Mullery the contract for the construction of a 20-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Griffith street, from the west side of Milton avenue to the sewer under the east sidewalk on Hudson County Public Road.

(Adopted May 3, 1895.)

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nayes—None.

Absent—None.

The same committee further reported

recommending the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That so much of the resolution adopted by this Board April 30, 1895, concurring in the claim of Mackey, Young & Co. for $10.00, (passed by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners April 29, 1895), be and the same is hereby rescinded, for the reason, that the payment of the said claim does not require the concurrence of this Board, the article furnished not being chargeable to Water account, and further

Resolved, That the claim be and is hereby ordered returned to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners.

The report was received and the resolution was adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims, W. P. Douglass, Judge Second Criminal Court, fees as Judge for April 1895 (under act of February 19th, 1895,, $54.00.

Andrew J. Boyle, Clerk Second Criminal Court, fees as Clerk for April, 1895 (under Act of February 19, 1895), $36 (each chargeable to fees account from Criminal Courts).

Martin Finck (Commissioner of Deeds), taking City Collector's acknowledgements to tax sale certificates, Nos. 2,617 to 2,793 (both inclusive), $26.55.

T. Y. Brown, verifying and making diagrams of lands bought by the city at the several tax sales, being deeds 507 to 509, 513 to 517 and 521 to 557, $45.

"Evening Journal" Association, advertising tax sale No. 12 (under Martin Act), $339.60 (each chargeable to Martin Act Account).

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President.

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account printing, stationery, etc., 1894-1895): Wood & Menagh, supplies to Board of Finance, $4.50; New York and New Jersey Telephone Company, telephone tolls, City Treasurer and City Comtroller offices, from December 1, 1894, to March 1, 1895 $5.25; New York and New Jersey Telephone Company, telephone tolls, Corporation Counsel's office, from December 1, 1894, to pany, telephone tolls, Corporation Counsel's office, from December 1, 1894, to March 1, 1895, $10.00.

J. W. Harrison, postage stamps and stationery for city collector, $141.30.

Vredenburg & Garreston, taxed cost in certiorari case, the United N. J. R. R. & Canal Co., and Pa. R. R. vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, taxes for 1868 and 1869, &c., on certain property, $95.49.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the votes of all the members of the Board five (5) in number, on the call for ayes and nays by the President.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The Committee of the Whole submitted a report, which was signed by all the members of the Board five (5) in number, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby non-concurs in the following resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners April 29, 1895, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance the contract to provide the material and furnish the labor and produce the results required in Specification C, heretofore approved for the furnishing of a new water supply for this city, be awarded to the Jersey City Water Company on the basis of and in acordance with plans and specifications and analysis submitted by said company and at the prices named in their proposal designated Bid "B" submitted to this Board March 25, 1895, viz:

Bid B.—For water delivered at a minimum consumption of twenty million gallons per day, etc.

The report was received, and the resolution therein contained was adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nayes by the President.

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nayes—None.

Absent—None.

The same committee also presented a majority and a minority report, and the same were on motion received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes on the call for the ayes and nayes by the President.

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nayes—None.

Absent—None.

MAJORITY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The Committee of the whole of this Board, to whom was referred the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, passed at their meeting held April 29, 1895, awarding the contract to the Jersey City Water Company for suplying Jersey City with a new supply of pure and wholesome water, respectfully reports:

It is generally regretted, that under the specifications put forth by the Street and Water Board, there were but two formal bids received; one from the East Jersey Water Company for a supply by pumping and the other from the Jersey City Water Company for a supply by gravity. The latter consideration of the subject determined the authorities that a new supply, if procured, must be by gravity, and that conclusion at once excluded from consideration the proposal of the East Jersey Water Company, leaving the Jersey City Water Company the only bidder, offering a proposition possible of acceptance.

The said company by its proposition agreed to furnish Jersey City with a supply of water, ranging from a minimum of twenty million to a maximum of fifty million gallons daily, as the city should require, at a price from $39.75 per million gallons to $25 per million, according to the quantity per day supplied. The supply was to be entirely by gravity into the High Service Reservoir, and to be brought there by a single pipe.

The entire plant to be transferred to Jersey City, free and clear of all encumbrances, at a time agreed upon, for the sum of $7,000,000, which was to be paid in 4 per cent. bonds of the city.

The water thus to be supplied was to come from the Rockaway Water Shed and river, above Boonton; from an area of about forty-three square miles, with main intake reservoir located at Beach Glen.

Other proposals of an informal character were made, and the Boards having this matter in control have listened to and to a considerable extent examined into the merits of these various proposals. This Board is actuated by no other purpose save to get the best water possible, upon the best terms, and we deem it wise that the largest opportunities should be given to every responsible bidder and to invite the sharpest competition. While we recognize the imperative necessity for a supply of better water, and the fact the future of this city is largely involved in getting it, and getting it quickly; we feel that the exigency is not so great that we should act without that deliberation which secures safety.

In view therefore of the situation of this question we have given it the most sincere and thorough examination and study of which we are capable, and from the mass of information we have gathered, covering every aspect of the subject, we feel that we are as fully capable of settling the matter now as we ever can be.

We desire to express our high appreciation of the intelligence and energy displayed by the Street and Water Board, and for the great labor they have bestowed upon this important matter. We are in hearty accord with them when they say: "We are for the best water at the cheapest price."

There are many attractive features in the proposition of the Jersey City Water Company, to whom the contract has been awarded by the Street and Water Board. The freeness from contamination of the area drained, the quality of the water offered and the manifest ability of those making the offer to carry it out, have led us to give much attention to this proposal, but our best consideration has not been able to remove our doubts as to the capacity of the water shed in question, to furnish the required quantity of water. We therefore recommend a non-concurrence in the resolution of the Street and Water Board awarding the contract.

And in further suggest that the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be requested to advertise again for proposals upon plans so simple and broad as to permit the widest competition.

(Signed.)

JACOB J. DETWILLER,
JAMES S. BAILEY,
REUBEN SIMPSON.

MINORITY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners on the 29th day of April, 1895, awarding the contract for furnishing the new water supply to Jersey City to the Jersey City Water Company, which has been sent to this Board for its concurrence, it is submitted, should be nonconcurred in for the following reasons:—

First—We agree with the declaration made in the published report of the Committee of the Whole of the Street and Water Board in favor of acquiring "the best water at the cheapest price."

Second—The report states that "the acquisition of the Rockaway watershed is an important factor in the consideration of a new water supply for every city of Central New Jersey, and that it should therefore be acquired without further delay." But the watershed embraced in the proposal of the Jersey City Water Company is less than one-third of the entire shed, while an adequate provision for Jersey City would require the entire shed of one hundred and eighteen square miles above Boonton for an assured supply. It is therefore evident that the Jersey City Water Company's restricted watershed would not come up to the future requirements of the population of Jersey City, and could not be depended upon to furnish a sufficient supply.

In the annual report of the Geological Survey for 1890 the average flow of the Rockaway river at Boonton in the dryest months of a dry year, occurring about once in seven or eight years, is estimated at twenty cubic feet per second or 13,000,000 gallons per day.

Third—The estimates of engineers and contractors convince us that the prices

asked by the Jersey City Water Company are excessive. Other companies, claiming to own vested water rights, offer the entire Rockaway watershed above Boonton with a double pipe line, and consequently more reliable service, at a price that would make a large saving to Jersey City when compared with the bid of the Jersey City Water Company.

Fourth—The opinion given by the corporation counsel to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners on the 27th day of April, 1895, is to the effect that formal bids, after being duly received, cannot lawfully be amended or altered. Such being the case, the Jersey City Water Company's proposal should not be accepted, aside from any other objections, inasmuch as it is evident that the watershed offered by that company would not, without important additions, furnish a sufficient supply for the future requirements of Jersey City. To award a contract to that company on its proposal, modified by subsequent assurances or stipulations, would clearly be an evasion of the law for which the members of this Board must not be expected to assume the responsibility.

For all of the above reasons we cannot conscientiously concur in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners awarding a water contract to the Jersey City Water Company.

Signed:

JOHN M. JONES,
J. W. HARDENBERGH.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received, and they were each adopted by the following vote, on the call of the yeas and nays by the President—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson —(5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Hardenburgh:

Resolved, That upon the reports of the Corporation Counsel and City Comptroller endorsed upon the petition of James Gleason, a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James Gleason for one hundred forty-seven dollars and twenty-seven cents, for amount of surplus realized upon the tax sale, under Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1886 and the supplements thereto, made by the City Collector on April 16, 1895, of lots 5 to 9, Block 1,340, Woodlawn avenue and Van Cleef street, over and above the sum as adjusted due the city, with interest, cost and disbursements.

By Mr. Hardenburgh:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $100.55 in favor of Charles T. Imbrie, executor, estate of A. Clerk, deceased, to return amount paid for water rents erroneously assessed against lot 20, Block 602, Forest street ,as follows:—

For year 1886, for water rents, as adjusted, $9.50; paid August 14, 1888.

For year 1887, for water rents, as adjusted, $9.50; paid August 14, 1888.

For year 1888, for water rents, $14.22; paid July 19, 1890.

For year 1889, for water rents, $10.14; poid July 19, 1890.

For year 1890, for water rents, $9.50; paid July 19, 1890.

For year 1891, for water rents, $9.60; paid August 5, 1891, duplicate payment.

For year 1891, for water rents, $9.59; paid July 24, 1891.

For year 1892, for water rents, $9.50; paid July 1, 1892.

For year 1893, for water rents, $9.50; paid July 1, 1893.

For year 1894, for water rents, $9.50; paid June 29, 1894.

Total, $100.55.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Sinking Fund Commission, on Water Account as follows:

For $14,000 for the payment of principle of $586,000 5 per cent. water bonds, due April 1, 1916, in accordance with an act approved June 9, 1890, and resolution of the Board of Finance passed March 26, 1891.

For $7,000 for the payment of principal of $350,000 5 per cent. water bonds due June 1, 1921, in accordance with an act approved April 17, 1891, and resolution of the Board of Finance passed May 13, 1891.

For $5,000 for the payment of principle of $248,000 5 per cent. water bonds due January 2, 1922, in accordance with an act approved June 9, 1890, and resolution of the Board of Finance passed November 11, 1891.

For $4,000 for the payment of principle of $200,000 5 per cent. water bonds due January 2, 1923, in accordance with an act approved June 9, 1890, and resolution of the Board of Finance passed November 17, 1892.

For $3,600 for the payment of principle of $179,000 4½ per cent. water bonds due January 1, 1925, in accordance with an act approved March 16, 1893, and resolution of the Board of Finance passed October 4, 1894.

By Mr. Hardenburg:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, for the sum of Thirty-five thousand dollars to transfer that amount from assessment account to Sinking Fund April 1, 1916, to pay $1,469,000 5 per cent. assessment bonds, due April 1, 1916, being the amount due said fund fiscal year 1894-1895.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Joseph Jewkes & Sons, for the sum of $5,000, to pay the amount appropriated by this Board, April 18, 1895, for the com-

pletion of the New Jersey State Armory building, Bergen avenue and Church street, Jersey City, and due said Joseph Jewkes & Sons, according to the certificate of the State Military Board, acting as the Armory Commission, (hereto attached).

By Mr. Hardenburgh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Theodore Schmid for $10.94 and $10.95, total $21.89 to return payment of taxes (in error) for years 1893 and 1894 respectively on Lot 3, Block 1347, Ocean avenue, made December 1, 1893, and December 5, 1894 respectively ,the taxes for the above mentioned years having also been paid by the owner of the property.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to transfer to the credit of account of "Gas and Supplies for Armories" of Board of Aldermen, the unexpended balances of appropriation of Board of Street and Water Commissioners for rent of Armories for the present fiscal year, the completion of the "New Armory" and its occupancy, leaving the appropriation for gas and rent unavailable without the making of said transfers.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow $57,-952.64 on bonds to be issued in anticipation of the redemption of lands bought by the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City at the sale of the City Collector made April 16, 1895, of lands for unpaid adjusted taxes, assessments and water rents, said bonds to be payable at the option of the city, with interest at the rate of 4 per cent.. per annum, payable with the bonds, and the proceeds to be applied for the certificates of sale of the property purchased by the ayor and the Alderman at said sales, and

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the City Collector for the sum of $57,-952.64 in payment of certificates of sale of the property purchased by the Mayor Aldermen of Jersey City at sale of lands for unpaid adjusted taxes, assessments and water rents sold April 16, 1895, as per schedule annexed:—

Block.	Lots.	Amount.
702	4	$1,015 51
701	1	1,319 67
569	64	615 80
569	65	910 57
701	A	235 68
593	Part 1	2,611 30
593	Part 2	1,837 49
512	7	708 06
772	21	794 38
772	37	272 82
772	38	387 89
823	66-67	2,236 34
845	29-30	263 16
845	35-36	263 16
847	27-28	271 01
850	6	176 58
852	6-7-8-9	187 84
852	10-11-12	419 63
852	37	108 33
852	38	108 33
852	Part 29, 30, 31 and 32	417 15
852	33	154 11
852	35-36	300 24
948	34	1,142 67
943	1	207 00
943	2	153 60
943	11	99 02
943	12	99 02
945	31 to 34	358 34
948	1	111 22
948	2	111 22
945	29	97 88
945	30	97 88
851	East part 10	134 54
851	7	778 77
859	1 triangle 14	628 56
866	137-138	278 92
867	14-15	22 20
867	16	66 36
867	21-22	192 31
869	173	148 99
869	135-136	233 44
871	Parts 205 to 209	498 16
872	32	421 68
872	1	8 93
873	227	218 02
873	249	276 81
874	Part 71	91 32
874	78	100 87
874	97-98	1,129 26
874	Part 103	265 37
663	33	1,135 69
540	1	99 48
540	2	396 62
540	3	226 99
540	4	660 79
128	2	207 33
128	3	721 08
635	239	315 72
957	14	202 20
423	18	20 56
423	19	20 56
423	20	20 56
480	Plot 18	130 79
480	18 A Gore	8 59
481	1-2	72 18
481	8	1,139 38
932	22	136 02
1325-1326	62	9 57
1325-1326	Part 94	288 76
1250	West Part Plot D	266 21
1250	67	190 04
1250	East ½ 70	56 85
1250	B3	396 89
1251	83-85-87-89	60 38
1251	81	25 16
1253	15	71 35
1255	35	43 46
1255	53-55	111 30
1255	81	242 20
1256	Plot 2	639 15
1256	4	288 86
1257	K	628 24
1257	21	23 16
1257	19-20	75 27
1261	B	217 97
1296	65-66	60 40

1296	67 to 69	122 93
1271	92	55 93
1272	8 and 29	283 93
1272	7 and 30	288 54
1273	68	63 40
1273	134	7415
1273	135	80 61
1274	123-124	95 99
1274	127	80 63
1274	128	72 76
977	3	86 75
1274	10-11	80 76
1274	39 to 42	90 46
1274	43	32 17
1274	44	76 04
1299	7B	4,373 98
1299	8	747 15
1274	65 to 68	228 53
1276	28-29	151 20
1276	47	67 06
1276	48	72 73
1276	53	75 67
1276	54	75 72
1277	11	241 77
1281	2	1,510 09
1289	North ½, 12	262 04
1291	1 to 4	136 67
1292	41 to 44	182 31
1292	51	29 28
1293	1, 2, 3	231 30
1292	47 to 48	63 40
1292	52	38 66
1293	8	81 96
1293	29	66 41
1294	9 to 12	80 16
1294	21	78 29
1294	28, 29, 30	893 84
1294	60-61	394 70
1294	1	281 79
1294	2-3-4	273 26
1295	7	39 81
1295	8	39 14
1295	17 to 19	114 39
1295	40	146 20
1295	41	146 20
1295	42	142 84
1295	43	142 84
1295	58 to 61	834 40
1296	17	191 69
1296	18	190 24
1296	19-20	79 97
1296	62	19 97
1252	E1	83 24
1252	E3	11 91
669	Part 6 and 9 "O"	508 10
669	Part 6 and 9 "P"	508 11
669	Part 6 and 9 "Q"	508 11
669	Part 6 and 9 "R"	508 11
343½	Plot A	1,752 69
341	1 to 8	1,891 40
645	1 to 4	167 55
1290½	2	607 22
1289	10	465 78
1303	54	496 90
1303	35	253 15
1304	8	169 46
1304	21	260 77
1318	17	61 30
1318	15-16	170 42
1321	41	91 60
1324	31	100 81
1327	15-16	178 29
1327	17 to 21	570 84
1327	22	104 40
1327	8	115 97
1329	6-7	231 94
1331-1332	18-19	192 26
1335	9-10	112 50
1339	16	93 94
1336	35	89 26
1339	1-2	134 36
1339	28	68 10
1340	25	64 20
1343	38	102 27
1348	40-41	37 60
1348	42	20 70
1348	48	13 74
1348	50	13 74
1348	51	13 74
1348	38	64 38
		$57,952 64

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms, at the City Hall, on Thursday, May 16th, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M..

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of May 2d, of the adjourned meeting of May 3rd and of the special meeting of May 9th, 1895, was dispensed with, and the said minutes were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS..

Petition of Joseph Stecner for the return of $10 paid for water rents, years 1894-1895, erroneously assessed.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of Anna M. Mittricher for the return of $1 poll tax paid in error year 1895.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of August Belmont & Co. to have cancelled an assessment of $110 for taxes 1894 on copper ore stored on premises on Tonnele avenue.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of Theresa A. S. Sheridan to return to her $117.09, amount of tax for certain years paid to City Collector through mistake and error.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of Ellen J. B. Shea to return to her $110.27, amount of tax for certain years paid to City Collector through mistake and error.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Official bond of John J.Cone as a member of the board of Fire Commissioners, in the sum of $15,000, with James H. O'Neil and Phillip E. Martin as sureties.

Referred to the Committee on Finance

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Mary S. Bowen, $182.25; John J.Walsh, $105.95; J. C. News, $52.50; Randolph Perkins, $73.65; Postal Tel. Cable Co., $23.43, $18.39 and $25.34; N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., $4.35.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Corporation Counsel:—

Jersey City, N. J., May 13, 1895.

To the Board of Finance of Jersey City:—

Gentlemen—The accompanying statement from the City Collector was forwarded to me on the 10th instant. It relates to municipal taxes assessed on the property of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, known as the Grain Elevator. The taxes for 1881-2 on the same property, was taken to the Supreme Court by certiorari, argued there, and the Court at the June term, 1887, determined that that property was not subject to assessment for municipal taxation. That judgment was taken to the Court of Errors, and that Court at the June term, 1889, affirmed by unanimous vote the judgment of the Court below.

That establishes beyond any possible question the fact that this property is not legally assessable locally. Notwithstanding this action of the Courts, the property has been assessed regularly from year to year, from 1883 to 1889 inclusive, as the accompanying statement shows, and the amount of taxes for these years amounts to the sum of $121,-550. There can be no reason why this should continue, and I respectfully advise you that the taxes shown on this statement be directed to be forthwith cancelled, as having been illegally assessed.

JOHN A. BLAIR,
Corporation Counsel.

Received, ordered spread in full upon the minutes and referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of this Board:—

1. Awarding to Sanford & Stillman the contract to rebuild the public dock at the foot of Morgan street, at the prices named in their bid, submitted May 6th, 1895, and requesting the Board of Finance to set aside $17,000 to the credit of the Street and Water Board to cover the cost of such rebuilding.

(Adopted May 9th, 1895.)

2. To advertise for proposals to furnish and deliver at the Belleville and High Service Pumping Stations about 10,000 gross tons of bituminous coal for steam purposes.

(Adopted May 9th, 1895.)

3. To fix the salary of Philip Freund, fireman at Belleville (appointed May 13th, 1895), at $65 per month.

(Adopted May 13th, 1895.)

4. To fix the salary of Patrick Connolly, coal passer at Belleville (appointed May 13th, 1895), at $2 per day when engaged.

(Adopted May 13th, 1895.)

5. To pay certain claims.

(Adopted May 9th, 1895.)

6. To pay certain claims.

(Adopted May 13th, 1895.)

7. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of April, 1895, amounting to $4,431.70, as per payroll.

(Adopted May 9th, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the salaries of the General Superintendent, etc., in the Water Department for the month of April, 1895, amounting to $1,439, as per payroll.

(Adopted May 9, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported recommending that the following official bond be received and approved, and that the same be spread in full upon the Bond Book and ordered filed:—

John J. Cone, as member of the Board of Fire Commissioners, in the sum of $15,000, with James H. O'Neil and Philip E. Martin as sureties.

The report was received, and the bond was approved by the votes of all the members of the Board, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Fixing the salary of Patrick Connolly, coal passer, at Belleville (appointed May 13, 1895), at $2 per day when engaged.

(Adopted May 13th, 1895)

2. Ordering paid the salaries for April, 1895, as per pay rolls, as follows:—Belleville and High Service, $4,431.70, and General Superintendent, etc., $1,439.

Adopted May 9th, 1895.

3. Fixing the salary of Philip Freund, fireman at Belleville (appointed May 13th, 1895) at $65 per month.

Adopted May 13th, 1895.

4. To advertise for proposals to furnish and deliver at the Belleville and High Service pumping Stations about 10,000 gross tons of bituminous coal for steam purposes.

(Adopted May 9th, 1895.)

5. Ordering paid the following claims:—

May 9th, 1895—W. W. Farrier, $97.00; Eastwood Wire Manufacturing Co., $3.00;

May 13th, 1895—Wood & Menagh, $37.99; Duhme & Troll, $18.00; Brinckman & Hauck $12.25; Andrew Shaw, $446.50; M. T. Connolly, $160.31; A. Datz, $18.00, $60.00; C. A. Woolsey Paint & Color Co., $22.18; J. F. Underhill, $20.10, $14.75 and $7.44; F. P. Woodcock, $25.00; Thos. Holmes, $55.63; A. B. Parsells, $26.25; W. W. Farrier, $113.10, $71.60, $181.44, $12.63 and $4.68; R. Muirhead, $12.00; F. W. Young, $12.50; F. Mandler, $13.85, and W. W. Ruggles, $25.32.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson —5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in payment of the following claims, all chargeable to account of "Martin Act":—

Jersey City News, advertising "Martin Act" notices, $52.50.

Mary S. Bowen, serving notices under the "Martin Act," $182.25.

Randolph Perkins, serving notices under the "Martin Act," $73.65.

John J. Walsh, serving notices under the "Martin Act," $105.95.

Resolved, that warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of May, 1895, when due, to wit:—

$30.00 to Honora Lamb for cleaning

$30.00 to Bridget Parker for cleaning school rooms.

$30.00 to Kate Battersbee for cleaning rooms.

$30.00 to Ellen Outwater for cleaning rooms.

$30.00 to Mary Looney for cleaning rooms.

$40.00 to Charles Golden for tending fires.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of May, 1895, when due, as follows:

The Jersey City News, $229.16.

The Evening Journal, $229.16.

The J. C. Herald, $229.16.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of N. P. Wedin for $70 for services as assistant clerk to the District Court, during the month of May, 1895. To be paid only out of District Court fees.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Albert Payne for $66.66 for services as Marshal to the Second District Court during the month of May, 1895, when due. To be paid only out of District Court fees.

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following salaries for the month of May, 1895, when due:

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250.00 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250.00 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250.00 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125.00 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125.00 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125.00 to Wm. F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100.00 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$100.00 to W. H. Tuttle, Chief Clerk to City Collector.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150.00 to Martin Finck, Clerk Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100.00 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100.00 to John Wendle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100.00 to Charles F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100.00 to John H. McCutcheon, Clerk to City Collector.

$100.00 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60.00 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125.00 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125.00 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125.00 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100.00 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100.00 to James Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$150.00 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners.

$125.00 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$100.00 to William C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$75.00 to Edw. T. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

Postal Telegraph Cable Co.—Messenger service and telegrams, month of January, 1895, "Mayor's office," $18.39.

Postal Telegraph Cable Co.—Messenger service and telegrams, month of February, 1895, "Mayor's office," $25.34.

Postal Telegraph Cable Co.—Messenger service and telegram, month of March, 1895, "Mayor's office," $23.43.

N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co.—Telephone service at office of Board of Finance from December 1, 1894, to March 1st, 1895, $4.35.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the calls for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Detwiller, and the same was adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Resolved, That so much of the resolution, passed by the Board, at the meetin held April 30th, 1895, concurring in the resolution of the Street and Water Board, ordering paid certain claims, be rescinded, to wit:

W. W. Farier, pig lead, $173.52.

W. W. Farrier, pig lead, $165.56.

For the reason that said clams should have been paid on acount of contract No. 765 with said W. W. Farrier, for furnishing and delivering corporation stop cocks, lead and meters.

On motion of Mr. Simpson, the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK, Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms, at the City Hall, on Wednesday, May 29th, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

The call for the meeting, which was for the passing on payrolls and the transaction of "General Business," was read by the Clerk.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, &C.

Petition of Harry McBride for the return of $10.65 erroneously assessed and paid for water rents for the year 1895.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims, Indemnity Bond of William J. Farrell and Albert J. Lignot, in the sum of two hundred and sixty ($260) dollars, to secure the city against any damages or loss caused by the cancellation of certain warrants drawn to the order of "Unknown" and now in the hands of the City Clerk, and drawing new warrants in their stead for the same amounts and made payable to their order.

Received and ordered filed with the City Comptroller, and the Clerk of this Board directed to notify the Board of Street and Water Commissioners of the filing of said bond.

Communications from Robert Carey, submitting as attorney transcript of judgment, case of Henry W. Moser vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, obtained in First District Court. Debt, $198.59; costs, $4.66; $203.25.

Communication from Robert Carey, submitting as attorney, transcript of judgment, case of William Reen vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, obtained in First District Court. Debt, $119.85; costs, $5.38; $125.23.

Both received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Communication from G. B. Reid, Clerk of Township Committee of the Township of Kearny, submitting preamble and resolutions adopted by said committee May 14th, 1895, asking Jersey City to relieve them of their water contract with Jersey City and asking the privilege of renting the Kearny avenue main for a term of not less than five (5) years.

Received and ordered filed.

The following official bonds were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance:

Lawrence Broderick, as registrar of the water works, in the sum of $50,000, with John Mullins, P. H. Hanley and Theodore Smith as sureties.

James C. Clarke, as member of the Board of Tax Commissioners, in the sum of $10,000, with Hugh Dugan and Andrew McKnight as sureties.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

George B. Fielder, $64.85; F. P. Van Saun, $25; C. S. Westervelt, $30; J. J. O'Hara, $85.80; Chronicle Publishing Co., $45.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Resolution adopted May 28, 1895, selling and conveying to Frank J. Mathews Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 420, Brunswick street (for which city holds deeds) upon payment of all claims of the city against the same

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From A. H. Graff, Clerk of Board of Education:—

Submitting a communication received by said Board and referred to the Board of Finance with the request that sufficient funds may be appropriated to comply with the law.

Received and ordered filed.

From S. H. Smith, City Collector:—

Certifying that he has received from the County Clerk Report No. 99 made by the Commissioners of Adjustment, amounting to $193,073.52, filed May 14th, 1895.

Received and ordered filed.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Resolution (adopted May 28th, 1895,) to assign certain certificate of tax sale.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From His Honor the Mayor:—

Relative to the resolution adopted by the Board of Finance, May 9th, 1895, non-concurring in the award to the Jersey City Water Company of contract for a new supply of water to Jersey City.

Accompanying this communication His Honor the Mayor offers a form of specifications at least as a basis upon which to commence the action required to bring the matter to a focus, if there is any disposition in either the Board of Street and Water Commissioners or the Board of Finance to settle the water question.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the communication was received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions, requiring the concurrence of this Board were received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. To pay certain claims.
(Adopted May 20, 1895.)
2. Ordering paid certain claims.
(Adopted May 27, 1895.)
3. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Lafayette street, from Monitor street to Van Horane street.
(Adopted May 20, 1895.)

4. That the salary of Lawrence Broderick (appointed as Registrar of the Water Works, May 20, 1895) be fixed at $2,500 per annum, payable monthly, and

that the Board of Finance fix the amount of bond.

(Adopted May 20, 1895.)

5 Fixing the salary of E. B. Requa (appointed inspector on regulating of Wayne street, between Brunswick and Fremont streets (May 20th, 1895), &c., at $3 per day when engaged.

(Adopted May 20th, 1895.)

6. Fixing the salaries of the following persons (appointed May 27th, 1895):—

B. S. Halleck, clerk, detailed to Clerks' Department, at $100 per month.

E. S. Giberson, engineer assistant, at $75 per month.

Joseph Smith, extra clerk, at $75 per month.

(Adopted May 27th, 1895.)

7. To confirm the specifications for restoring the surface of the New Public Road over water pipe trenches in all street intersections, between the south side of Griffith street and the centre line of North street, where the same intersects the easterly side of New Public Road, and Clerk to advertise for proposals in conformity therewith; the same being necessary. Lawrence McGovern is now laying water pipe by contract with the city in the easterly sidewalk of the New Public Road, &c., which interferes with the work of the contractor for the New Public Road, &c.

(Adopted May 20th, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the salary of the Water Registrar, etc., in the Water Department for the month of May, 1895, when due, amounting to $2,918.31, as per payroll.

(Adopted May 22d, 1895.)

9. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters for the month of May, 1895, when due, amounting to $540, as per payroll.

(Adopted May 22d, 1895.)

10. Ordering paid the salaries of employes laying and repairing water pipe, for the month of April, 1895, amounting to $2,484.62 as per payroll.

(Adopted May 20th, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported recommending that the following official bonds be received and aproved and that the same be spread at large in the bond book and filed:—

Lawrence Broderick, as Registrar of the water works, in the sum of $50,000 with John Mullins, P. H. Hanley and Theodore Smith as sureties.

James C. Clarke, as member of the Board of Tax Commissioners in the sum of $10,000 with Hugh Dugan and Andrew McKnight as sureties.

The report was received and the bonds were each approved by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Concurrent resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Fixing the salary of Lawrence Broderick, Registrar of the water works, (appointed May 20th, 1895), at $2,500 per annum, payable monthly.

(Adopted May 20th, 1895.)

2. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Company the contract for the improvement of Lafayette street from Monitor street to Van Horne street.

(Adopted May 20, 1895.)

3. Fixing the following salaries of employes appointed May 27, 1895:—

B. S. Halleck, clerk, at $100 per month.

E. S. Giberson, clerk, at $75 per month.

Joseph Smith, clerk, at $75 per month.

(Adopted May 27, 1895.)

4. Ordering paid the salaries of the following employes for the month of May, 1895, when due (as per payrolls), Water Registrar, etc., $2,918.31, and laborers on meters, $540.

(Adopted May 22, 1895.)

5. Ordering paid the salaries of employes "Laying and repairing water pipe" during the month of April, 1895, amounting to $2,484.62.

(Adopted May 20, 1895.)

6. Fixing the salary of E. B. Requa (appointed May 20, 1895), as inspector on regulating of Wayne street,etc., between Brunswick and Fremont streets, etc., at $3 per day when engaged.

(Adopted May 20, 1895.)

7. To advertise for proposals to restore the surface of the New Public Road over water pipe trenches in all street intersections, between southerly side of Griffith street and centre line of North street, where the same intersects the easterly side of New Public Road, etc.

(Adopted May 20, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid following claims:—

April 15th, 1895, Brown & Miller, $445.78 and $220.19.

April 22d, 1895, Brown & Miller, $215.60, $91.19, $441.49, $204.96, $413.51, $46.80, $368.35 and $121.22.

April 29th, 1895, Brown & Miller, $130.94, $25.83 and $382.80.

May 9th, 1895, Brown & Miller, $176.66.

(The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions recommend in their report the concurrence in the payment of the above-named claims of Brown & Miller upon the advice of the Corporation Counsel, as the work could not be advertised for and the claims cover a period of several months.)

9. Ordering paid the following claims:—

May 20th, 1895, W. W. Farrier, $145.59, $111.51 and $25.59; Holmes & Cogan, $169.16; Theo. Smith & Bro., $71.11; Thomas Rynn,

agent, $20.63; Vanderbeek & Sons, $161.91, $6.27, $42.30, $6.10 and $8.75; Washburn Bros. Co., $8.48, $111.40 and $33.48; E. T. Morgan, $13.65; Richard Monohan, $18.66; Brinckman & Hauck, $200; Bartly Coyle, $30; Robert McArthur, $115.10; George Hill, $26.85; Alfred Gilbert, $66, and Andrew Shaw, $112.50.

May 27th, 1895, Peter Austin, $200; Dixon Crucible Co., $2.75; W. W. Farrier, $31.20, $38.53, $95.70 and $13.61; M. T. Connolly, $169; D. J. Regan, $24.88; Holmes & Cogan, $35.69; F. P. Woodcock, $28.68 and $60.39; W. P. Landrum, $96; H. F. Hayes, $92.85; George Dompierre, $3.50; U. G. Impt. Co., $12.90; Robert McArthur, $444.17 and R. M. Gilmore Manufacturing Co., $396.

The report was received and the resolutions therein contained were concurred in by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The same committee further reported, recommending that the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Aldermen May 28th, 1895, be concurred in:—

1. To sell and convey to Frank J. Matthews certain property, purchased by the city at tax sales, &c.

2. To assign certain certificates of tax sales to C. W. Herman and Adrian F. Bouton.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to the Martin Act" account):—

George B. Fielder, recording deeds of property acquired by the city under the "Martin Act," $64.85.

F. P. Van Saun, typewriting, &c., for month of May, 1895, when due, $25.

C. S. Westervelt, itemizing reports of the Commissioners of Adjustment, for the month of May, 1895, when due, $30.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (chargeable to account of printing, stationery and supplies, year 1894-1895):—

J. J. O'Hara, printing and stationery, Board of Finance, $85.80.

Chronicle Publishing Company, furnishing warrant books to City Clerk, $45

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Simpson moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Tuesday, June 4th, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

The following resolutions were presented and received and they were each adopted by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and is hereby directed to notify the several Boards and Commissions of this city to forward to this Board, by June 15th, 1895, their respective estimates of appropriations required for the fiscal year beginning December 1st, 1895, giving same in detail, together with schedule of salaries to be paid.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the amount of the bond to be furnished by Lawrence Broderick, Registrar of the Water Works of Jersey City, be and the same is hereby fixed at $50,000.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, to be deposited to the credit of June, 1895, interest, as follows:

On General Account.. .. ..$13,500 00	
On General Account, to pay interest on Assessment Bonds..	21,000 00
On Water Account..	8,750 00
	$43,250 00

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $20,000, on account of county taxes of 1894.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer to pay the following judgments obtained against "The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, in the First District Court:—

John Griffin, attorney of Frank McDermott, judgment..	$69 90
Costs..	3 55
	$73 45
Robert Carey, attorney of William Reen, judgment.....$119.85	
Costs..	5.38
	$125.23
Robert Carey, attorney of Henry W. Moser, judgment.... .. ..$198.59	
Costs..	$4.66
	$203.25

and further

Resolved, That in order to procure the money to meet the payment of the above

named amounts, the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to have issued a temporary loan bond in the sum of $401.93 at a rate of interest not to exceed 4½ per cent. per annum, and that the amount of said bond be placed in the next tax levy; and further

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to deliver the above named warrants only upon the production of proper satisfaction pieces.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Anna Marie Mittricker for the sum of $1 to return amount erroneously assessed for poll tax, year 1894, and paid May 6, 1895, she being a widow and not liable to assessment for poll tax.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Van Winkle & Klink, attorneys of Ellen J. B. Shea, for the sum of $110.27, to return amount paid in excess for taxes as follows:—

For year 1893, on Lots "2, "2 & "4 and "4, Block 553, Fleet street, assessed by Jersey City for....	$173 25
Interest....	23 02
Assesment reduced by State Board of Taxation to	$165 00
Amount asked to be returned.....	31 27
For year 1894, on Lots (rear parts) 56, 58, 60, 62, 5 and 7, Block 553, St. Paul's avenue, assessed by Jersey City for	206 25
Interest.....	6 77
	213 02
Assessment reduced by State Board of Taxation to.....	$165 00
Amount asked to be returned.....	$48 02
For year 1894, on Lots "2, "2 and "4 and "4, Block 553, Fleet street, assessed by Jersey City for	$189 75
Interest	6 23
	$195 98
Assessment reduced by State Board of Taxation to.....	165 00
Amount asked to be returned.....	30 98

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Van Winkle & Klink, attorneys of Theresa A. S. Sheridan, for the sum of $117.09, to return amount paid in excess for taxes, as follows:—

For year 1893, on lots part 58 and part 60 and part 60 and part 62, Block 553, Palisade avenue.	
Assessed by Jersey City for.....	$143 00
Interest.....	18 99
	$161 99
Assessment reduced by State Board of Taxation to..	$137 50
Amount asked to be returned..	$24.49
For year 1894 on same property, assessed by Jersey City for.....	$154 00
Interest.....	5 05
	$159 05
Assessment reduced by State Board of Taxation, to..	$137 50
Amount asked to be returned....	$21 55
For year 1893, on Lots "1, "2, "3, "4 and "1, "2, "3, "4, Block 558 (Nos. 29 and 31 Concord street respectively), assessed by Jersey City for..	$200 75
Interest..	26 24
	$227 39
Assessment reduced by State Board of Taxation to	$192 50
Amount asked to be returned..	$34 89
For year 1894, on same property, assessed by Jersey City for.. ..	$203 50
Interest..	6 68
	$210 18
Assessment reduced by the State Board of Taxation to..	$205 27
Amount asked to be returned.. ..	$4 91
For year 1893, on Lot 3, Block 557, Hoboken avenue, assessed by Jersey City for..	$173 25
Interest..	23 00
	$196 25
Assessment reduced by State Board of Taxation to..	$165 00
Amount asked to be returned....	$31 25

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, on Tuesday, June 4, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

The regular order of business was then proceeded with.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petiton of Andreas Guenter for the return of $3.55 for erroneous assessment paid for water rents year 1895.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

James F. Norton, $96; J. H. Potts, $144; J. C. News, $92.05; J. J. O'Hara, $121.80; A. Datz, $9.50, and W. P. Douglas, $42.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Police Commissoners:—

Resolution embodying estimates of appropriatons required for the next fiscal year.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

From the City Clerk:—

Communication, notifying this Board that he has designated Thomas K. Halstead as acting City Clerk in the event of his (City Clerk) absence from the city, or disability.

Received and ordered filed.

The following resolutions, requiring the concurrence of this Board, were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, and they were referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. To pay salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of May, 1895, amounting to $4,520.24.

(Adopted June 3, 1895.)

2. To pay salaries of General Superintendent, &c., for the month of May, 1895, amounting to $1,441.

(Adopted June 3d, 1895.)

3. That when the specifications for a new water supply, as submitted by the Committee of the Whole on this date and adopted, shall have been approved by the Mayor, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for proposals in conformity therewith.

(Adopted June 3d, 1895.)

4. To advertise for proposals for certain cast iron water pipe, together with all gates, &c., required to furnish an additional and necessary water supply to Snake Hill, &c.

(Adopted June 3d, 1895.)

5. Ordering paid certain claims

(Adopted June 3d, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported, recommending that the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the following claims:—

April 29, 1895:—Edward McDermott, $110.40.

June 3, 1895:—Susie Sutherland, $10 and $14; Budd & O'Hara, $6.51; United Gas Improvement Company, $10.50 and $9.75; James P. Hall, $10.40; Washburn Bros. Co., $23.46, $180.29 and $199.20; Theo. Smith & Bro., $23.66; J. F. Underhill, $41.93 and $3; Henry Stuhr, $7.76; Chapman Derrick and Wrecking Company, $105; Richard Eaton, $2.

2. To advertise for proposals to furnish cast iron water pipe, together with all gates, &c., required to furnish an additional and necessary water supply to Snake Hill, &c.

(Adopted June 3d., 1895.

3. Ordering paid the following salaries for the month of May, 1895, as per pay rolls.

Bellevilie and High Service, $4,520.24.

General Superintendent, &c., $1,441.00.

(Adopted June 3d, 1895.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the votes of all the members of the Board five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The same committee further unanimously reported, recommending that the following resolution (adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners June 3, 1895) be concurred in.

Resolved, That when the specifications for a new water supply, as submitted by the Committee of the Whole on this date and adopted, shall have been approved by the Mayor, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for proposals in conformity therewith.

The report was received and the resolution was concurred in on the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—3.

Nays—President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh—2.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$144 to J. H. Potts, Police Justice fees for month of May, 1895 (under act of February 19, 1895).

$96 to James F. Norton, Clerk of First District Police Court, fees for month of May, 1895 (under act of February 19, 1895).

(Both of the above claims to be paid out of fees received from First Criminal Court.

$92.05 to Jersey City News, advertising "Martin Act" notices (chargeable to Martin act account).

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$18.99 to American District Tel. Co., messenger service, Mayor's office, December, 1893.

$13.87 to American District Tel Co., messenger service, Mayor's office, January, 1894.

$21.76 to American District Tel. Co., messenger service, Mayor's office, April, 1894.

$18.74 to American District Tel. Co., messenger service, Mayor's office, October, 1894.

$16.70 to American District Tel. Co., messenger service, Mayor's office, December, 1894.

$121.80 to J. J. O'Hara, printing, stationery, &c., Board of Finance.

$9.50 to Albert Datz, printing for City Comptroller.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Detwiller moved to take up for consideration the letter of His Honor the Mayor, presented to this Board May 29, 1895.

The motion was adopted.

Mr. Detwiler then moved that the communication of his Honor the Mayor be received and placed on file.

The motion was adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—3.

Nays—President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh—2.

Absent—None.

(President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh, in explanation of their votes stated that they believed that so important a document as the one presented by his Honor the Mayor should be spread at large upon the minutes of this Board.)

The following resolution was offered by President Jones, and the same was rejected by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh (2).

Nays—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpsen (3).

Absent—None.

Resolved, That a reply to the letter addressed by His Honor the Mayor to this Board on May 20, 1895, on the water question, be made in form following, and that the same be signed by the President, on behalf of the Board, and communicated to His Honor the Mayor:—

Hon. P. F. Wanser, Mayor of Jersey City:—

Sir—The Board of Finance respectfully acknowledges the receipt of your letter of May 20, 1895, occasioned by the action taken by the Board in declining to concur in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners adopted April 29, 1895, awarding a contract to the Jersey City Water Company for furnishing a new water supply to Jersey City. We regret that our action did not meet your approval, but we feel that we had a duty to perform and that we performed it to the best of our ability, having in mind only the best interests of Jersey City. We still believe that our course was wise and that were the same questions to be again decided we should be derelict in our duty if we yielded to extraneous pressure against our conscientious convictions.

Before taking up the points more directly involved in the water question, we feel bound to repel the imputation of discourtesy on the part of this Board to yourself, contained in the statement that no official documents have been submitted to you by the Board of Finance to show why the award was rejected. This charge may imply that established usage has been departed from in this case, or that this Board is responsible to the Mayor for its acts, and that its failure or refusal in any instance to conform its course to his wishes necessitates formal and official explanation, as would be the case under a strictly personal government. We think it cannot have been intended by you to assert a claim to this prerogative and deem it proper to say upon this head no more than that there was no breach of official etiquette, as the same course was taken in this case as in every other of which we are cognizant, where owing to non-concurrence, the award of a contract has become imperative. The reports of the commitee recommending the adoption of the resolution of non-concurrence were spread on the minutes of the Board. In them the reasons for our action were given and these reports were published in full in the official newspapers on the following day. We understand that where in matters requiring the concurrence or non-concurrence of the Board, affirmative action is taken, the resolution of concurrence is certified to the Mayor and that to enable him, under the circumstances, to approve or veto understandingly, it is usual to present with it the report, if any, containing reasons for the Board's action.

The possibility that under any circumstances a resolution of non-concurrence could be the subject of a veto has never heretofore been conceived of or provided for within our knowledge.

We notice the array of propositions laid down by you for our guidance in considering and determining any future course of action on the water question; it is impossible for us to give our assent to these as a whole, or to the conclusions which you have drawn from them, and which you urge us to accept, and agree that our action shall conform to them. We cannot lawfully enter into an arrangement binding ourselves in advance to vote for any particular specification or award as requested by you. All propositions should come formally and on equal terms before us. Our board has already put itself upon record in favor of new proposals under such terms as will permit of the widest competition. What these terms are, only competent engineers and lawyers can say, and if in accordance with universal practice the advice of such experts were taken, instead of depending for guidance exclusively upon the statements of interested parties as in the past we can see no reason why a good supply at a reasonable price should not follow.

Pending the study of water sheds, condemnation of the necessary land and rights and the construction of adequate permanent works, we think that steps should be taken at once to either acquire the rights to utilize as a provisional supply the surplus water from the Pequannock Aqueduct, controlled by the East Jersey Water Company, through a connection made at Bellville by laying a pipe therefor across the Passaic River, or as an alternative, that an efficient filtration plant be constructed at the Belleville works and in connection therewith that a moderate amount of expenditure be incurred in the improvement of the present mechanism for pumping, so as to effect greater economy in its operation. The Pequannock water could be delivered under a greater pressure than that now furnished by the pumping plant at Belleville, with not only a consequent saving in the cost of operating that plant, but with the further advantage of an increased pressure and the delivery of the water at a higher elevation in all buildings situated in the Bergen and Greenville sections of Jersey City, which receive their supply direct from Belleville; the same improvement in pressure can, we are assured, also be readily attained under the alternative plan mentioned.

The immediate adoption and execution of either of these plans wil give our citizens adequate and prompt relief from the present water troubles, while neither of them woud necessitate more than a trifling net increase in the annual water account, provided the legislation advocated by the municipal authorities of this city and enacted during the session lately closed, placing it within power of this city as stated in your letter, to obtain control by condemnation of rights in water not now controlled by sister municipalities, extends to the condemnation of the surplus water of the Pequannock Aqueduct, the right to dispose of which the East Jersey Water Co., reserved to itself in the contract with the city of Newark.

Your Honor desires our views especially as to whether the Jersey City Water Co., for the sum of $7,000,000 for the watershed from which they propose to take and store the water ordered could settle the water rights of the other parties, because of the storage of the water, so that the city could have the water supply," and also whether it was possible to place an intake in the Rockaway River, below the storage points so that the river could be drawn upon in the winter when the Morris Canal was not in operation, and the stored water used in summer so as to leave the canal and water powers the flowage of the river during that season." The answer to these questions is wholly outside of our power to determine. We wish, however, to express and emphasize the opinion that no contract should be entered into until the status of such claimants of water rights and franchises for the use of water as would be affected by such contract and the effect thereon of the appropriation of the water in the manner suggested, has been investigated and passed upon by the most eminent counsel in that department of the law, aided by scientific experts, and the researches of the Geological Survey as to the flow of the Rockaway river. We dissent from the opinion held by the late Street and Water Board that the city should not atempt to settle the question of water rights. It is our conviction, and we are gratified to learn that you agree with us upon this point, that the question of water rights is of vital importance and lies at the foundation of the problem of water supply, and therefore should be settled at the very outset.

In acordance with this view we felt bound in arriving at a conclusion with regard to concurrence in the award of a contract, to consider the protest filed by the Morris Canal and Banking Company against the adoption of the proposal of the Jersey City Water Company, on the ground that the water company is attempting to dispose of the water rights of the Canal Company without its permission or consent, conecting therewith the further fact that one company, claiming to own vested water rights, offers the entire Rockaway water shed above Boonton, with a double pipe line and consequently more reliable service, at a price that would make a saving to Jersey City of more than one million dollars ($1,000,000) when compared with the bid of the Jersey City Water Company.

Regarding the numerous difficulties encountered in the formulation of the water specifications and to which you refer, we are surprised to learn that the provision incorporated therein at the suggestion of this Board, and intended by us to protect the rights of the city in any watershed which might be the subject of a contract, against the perils and inconveniences of a future joint occupancy or on the part of another municipality or a water company, has been apparently condemned by you as impracticable. We are still, however, of the opinion that this provision is of great importance and believe that citizens generally will agree with us that the city should have the right to all the water which it would need by any reasonable estitmate during the life of the 25-year contract allowed and authorized by law, amounting at the end of the period to about 7,000,000 gallons per day, if our past average growth continues. In return for the large contemplated expenditure, the people of the city expect, in accordance with the representations made to them in the past, to secure the undisputed possession of a watershed, and we fully believe that specifications embracing this stipulation will find a bidder.

The gravamen of your Honor's communication, as far as it relates to this Board, consists in the charge that our action upon the water question has not kept pace with your own, and that while you have, during your official term, signed several sets of specifications drawn for the purpose of obtaning a new water supply, they have with only one exception failed to receive favorable action in the Street and Water Board, and that even in that one case the Board of Finance withheld its approval. The fact should not be ignored, however, that in this instance also the proposal was first decisively rejected by the Street and Water Board, and thereafter, in the face of adverse opinion from the Corporation Counsel, and by the aid of some occult influence, no satisfactory reason being given for a change of mind, was accepted. Our non-concurrence in this procedure is made by you the occasion for charging this Board with holding a rejective and unsatisfactory position.

We respectfully deny that a disposition has been evinced by the members of the Board of Finance to take a negative position on the question. When in 1894, it first became necessary to consider specifications for a new water supply, a resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Finance to employ experts. It was then ascertained that there was no fund from which the experts could be paid. The Corporation Counsel gave an opinion that the expense could be defrayed from the Water account, and that it would be necessary for the Board of Street and Water Commisioners to appropriate money for that purpose. An effort was made to engage the services of such experts. The two Boards could not arrive at an agreement as to the selection of experts, allthough an effort was made in that direction and finally there was a division of sentiment in regard to such appointments between the members of the Board of Finance, consequently no appointments have been made up to the present time.

The Board of Finance have never changed their opinion upon this subject, and are still firm in their belief that no specifications should be adopted, or contract entered into, until they have been approved of by competent and disinterested experts engaged in the interest of Jersey City. We have no hesitation in expressing our belief that the specifications heretofore used have been so drawn as to repel any but special bidders.

JOHN M. JONES,
J. W. HARDENBERGH.

The following resolutions were presented and they were each adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Andreas Guenter for the sum of three ($3.55) dollars and fifty-five cents to return amount erroneously assessed on Lot 2, Block 954, Germania avenue, for water rents for the year 1895, paid May 15, 1895, the assessment having been made on a three story building instead of on a two story building.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing, Stationery, &c., be and are hereby authorized to purchase three copies of the "Fowler official assessment map of Jersey City, N. J., 1894," and that two of such copies shall be delivered to the Board of Tax Commissioners, for their exclusive use, and one copy to be delivered to the City Collector, for use in his office, the price of said maps not to exceed the sum of $150 each (of sets of four).

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Benjamin Edge for $34.60 for duplicate payment of water rents for years 1889 and 1891 on Lot 81, Block 71, Washington street, paid July 15th, 1889, for water rents 1889, and June 30th, 1891, for water rents 1891, being duplicate of payments made July 1st, 1889, for water rents 1889 and June 29th, 1891, for water rents 1891.

On motion of Mr. Bailey, the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, on Thursday, June 6th, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

Clerk Martin Finck was present, but having received an injury to his hand was incapacitated from performing clerical duties, and on motion Mr. Winfield C. Dunn, the assistant was elected clerk pro tempore.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The reading of the minutes of the following meetings: Regular, May 16th; special, May 29th, and adjourned, June 4th, 1895, was postponed until the next meeting, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Postal Tel. Cable Co., $4.85 and $27.59; J. C. News, $40.00 and $87.50.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the City Collector:—

Submitting a list of the names of parties having paid personal tax for 1893, during the month of May last.

Received and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported, recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners. be concurred in:—

1. Authorizing the construction of an 18 inch vitrified pipe sewer in 16th street from Grove street to Henderson, said sewer to connect with sewers already laid in Grove and Henderson streets.

(ADOPTED APRIL 1ST, 1895.)

2. To award to Burke & Jones the contract for the construction of a main sewer in the Lafayette section of Jersey City, along the northerly line of the right of way of the Newark and New York Railroad between Whiton street and Suydam avenue, and along the centre line of Pine street if extended westerly, &c., confirming the awards as set forth in the preliminary assessment map and report and ordering paid certain sums to persons to whom awards were made for real estate taken and damages sustained in making said imrovements, &c.

(ADOPTED APRIL 8TH, 1895.)

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpsan (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, and they were each adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board five (5) in number on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

By President Jones.

Resolved, That the resolutions passed by this Board on May 31st, 1893, appointing Emmons & Co., and the resolutions passed by this Board September 23d, 1893, appointing F. C. Wolbert and Cornelis J. Cronin, agents of the City to take charge of and collect rentals, &c., of property acquired by the City under the "Martin Act" be and the same are hereby rescinded and all appointments made under these resolutions are hereby revoked.

Resolved, That said agents be and they are hereby required to turn over to the City Treasurer all moneys now in their hands due the City for rents collected.

By President Jones.

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be empowered, authorized and directed to obtain possession for the City, as soon as posible after sale by the City Collector of all property, both improved and unimproved purchased by the city for unpaid adjusted taxes, &c., and to engage the services of some reputable and responsible Real Estate Agent to take charge of such property, under the direction of the City Comptroller; to let the same, to demand and collect rents from people in possession and from those to whom said premises may be let. Said agent to make regular monthly reports and returns to the City Comptroller, and at the same time to deposit with the City Treasurer all moneys collected by him.

All bills for commissions and other charges under these resolutions to be rendered to the City Comptroller, and by him submitted to the Board of Finance for payment.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

WINFIELD C. DUNN.
Clerk Pro Tempore.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms, at the City Hall, on Friday, June 14, 1895, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent— None.

The call for the special meeting (issued by the President) which was for the the transaction of "General Business" was read by the Clerk.

The regular order of business was then taken up.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the folowing meetings —Regular, May 16; special, May 29; adjourned, June 4, and regular, June 6, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the minute book, on motion of Mr. Detwiller.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, &C.

The following petitions were received and referred to the committee on Salaries and Claims:

Of Harry D. Entwistle, for the return of $2 for payment of water rents erroneously assessed and paid for lots 40, 39, block 355, 76 Astor Place, paid June 10, 1895.

Of Lydia A. Clark, for the return of $23.85 for duplicate payments of water rents for 1893, paid June 13th, 1893, and June 13th, 1893, on Lot 47-46, Block 274, Jersey avenue.

Of M. Mayer, for the return of $8.00 for over payment of water rent, 1893, for Lots 7-6, Block 386, Newark avenue.

Of J. F. Henning, for the return of $9.15, erroneous assessment for water rents paid for years 1894-1895 on Lot 25, Block 931, Zabriskie street.

Of James McConkey, for the return of $4.00, over-charge on water rents bill 1895, Lot 20, Block 843, Nelson avenue, paid June 13th, 1895.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Western Union Tel. Co., $3.00; C. S. Westervelt, $30.00; P. F. Van Saun, $25.00; Andrew J. Boyle, $28.00; Elliot Greene, $2.75; R. H. Weaver, $5.00.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Estimates of appropriations for the next fiscal year were received from the following boards, and they were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Aldermen, Street and Water Commissioners, Tax Commissioner, Education, Fire Commissioners, Commmissioners of Assessments and Commissioners of Appeals.

The City Collector presented a communication setting forth that he has been informed that the city, in the purchase of the site for School No. 9, agreed to cancel the taxes for year 1894 on lots 12 to 21, both inclusive, block 407, amounting to $302.50, and if such are the facts, would request the Board of Finance to take such action as may be necessary.

On motion of the President the comunication was referred to the Corporation Attorney to examine the contracts and agreements in the case and report to this Board.

From the Board of Education:

Resolution requesting the Board of Finance to apropriate the sum of $48,095-57 to pay for necessary repairs to school buildings and furniture during the ensuing vacation, commencing July 1.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

From the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library:

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

JERSEY CITY, N. J., June 6, 1895.

To the Honorable Board of Finance and Taxation of the City of Jersey City:

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library, held at the Library rooms, Wednesday evening, June 5, 1895, the following concurrent resolution was unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board ofFinance and Taxation, the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of Jersey City, be and is hereby authorized to select and purchase as a site for a new Free Public Library such land within the corporate limits of the city, as said trustees may deem best adapted for such purpose, the cost thereof to be defrayed from funds now in the hands of said trustees.

I have the honor to remain,

Yours respectfully,

GEORGE WATSON COLE,

Secretary.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of this Board were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, and they were referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Awarding to the Patton Coal Company the contract to furnish about 10,-000 gross tons of bituminous coal at Belleville and High Service, at the price named in their proposal of May 27, 1895—$2.62 per gross ton.

(Adopted June 11, 1895.)

2. Fixing the salary of Evan T. Rogers and others, appointed June 11, 1895.

(Adopted June 11, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted June 11, 1895.)

4. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers employed laying and repairing water pipe for the month of May, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $2,788.

(Adopted June 11th, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, June 11th, 1895, be concurred in:—

1. Awarding to the Patton Coal Co. the contract to furnish about 10,000 gross tons of bituminous coal at Belleville and High Service at the price named in their proposal of May 27th, 1895, $2.62 per gross ton.

2. Fixing the salaries of individuals appointed this day as follows:

Evan T. Rogers, general clerk, vice L. C. Allen, removed, $100 per month.

O. K. Gardner, general clerk, vice Jas. Kelly, removed, $100 per month.

Thos. Johnson, general clerk, vice T. J. Burns, removed, $75 per month.

George W. Lamberson, general clerk, vice I. W. Startup, promoted, $75 per month.

John H. Koepplinger, general clerk, vice Joseph Hertel, removed, $75 per month.

James Wormsley, reservoir keeper, vice Theo. Mendles, removed, $60 per month.

3. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers employed laying and repairing water pipe for the month of May, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $2,788.

4. Ordering paid the following claims:—

Theodore Smith & Bro., $13.60; Robert Muirhead, $5.43; J. S. McDonald, $8.68; J. C. Herald, $5.50; A. Datz, $15 and $64.25; Cafferty & Burke, $200; J. C. News, $15 and $130; Brinckman & Hauck, $200 and $11.90; Alfred Gilbert, $75; W. W. Farrier, $65.54; J. H. Gautier & Co., $10.50; D. J. Harper, $12.96; J. C. Herald, $18.75, and E. T. Morgan, $5.50.

The report was received and the resolutions therein contained were each adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

Ayes—President Jones and Mesrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson —5.

Nays—None.

Absent— None.

The committee on salaries and claims reported recommending the payment of the following claims:

William P. Douglas, fees as judge of 2d Criminal Court during month of May, 1895, $42.00 (under act of February 19, 1895).

Andrew J. Boyle, fees as clerk 2d Criminal Court for month of May, 1895, $28.00 (under act of February 19, 1895).

(To be paid out of fees received from Criminal Courts.)

F. P. Van Saun, typewriting, etc., City Comptrollers office during month of June, 1895, when due, $25.00.

C. S. Westervelt, itemizing reports, Commissioners of Adjustment, for month of June, 1895, when due, $30.00.

J. C. News, advertising Martin Act Notices, $87.50

(All chargeable to account of Martin Act.)

The report was received, and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson(5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery, &c., reported recommending the payment of the following claims (all chargeable to the account printing, stationery, &c., 1894-95):—

R. H. Weaver, storing and hanging awnings in City Collector and City Comptroller's offices, $5.00.

Elliott Greene, repairing shades in office of City Treasurer, $2.75.

J. C. News, printing manual slips, pps. 1-20, $40.00.

Postal Tel. Cable Co., messenger service, Board of Finance, May, 1895, $4.85.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received, and they were each adopted by the following vote, on the cal for the yeas and nays by the President.

Yeas — President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Bailey:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $129,884.75, to be deposited to the credit of July, 1895, interest as follows:—

On general account.....	$53,832.25
On general acount, to pay interest on Assessment Bonds..	24,200.00
On water account.....	51,852.50
Total	$129,884.75

By Mr. Bailey:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for he sum of $20,000, on account of county taxes of 1894.

By Mr. Detwiller: –

Resolved, That so much of the resolution adopted by this Board, May 29,

1895, concurring in the payment of the claim of W. W. Farrier for $95.70, for repairs at public park, be and the same is hereby rescinded, for the reason that said claim is not chargeable to "water account."

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Lydia A. Clark, in the sum of $23.85, to return amount of water rents for year 1893, paid June 13, 1893, on lots 46 and 47, block 274, Jersey avenue, being duplicate of payment made same date on same property.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of M. Mayer, in the sum of $8.00, to return amount paid, erroneously assessed for "Barber" $3.00 and "Bar' $10.00, when the assessment should have been for "Market" $5.00, on lots 6 and 7 "respectively," block 336, Newark avenue.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, to transfer from Adjuster Liln account collections made April 18, 1895, to June 13, 1895, inclusive, as follows:—

To general account, adjusted taxes, 1894	$10,165 65
To general account, adjusted taxes, 1893	6,477 81
To general account, tax sale advertising fees	12 00
To tax arrearage fund, 1892, adjusted taxes, 1892	13,522 67
To tax arrearage fund, 1891, adjusted taxes, 1891	9,669 50
To tax arrearage fund, 1890, adjusted taxes, 1890	4,128 98
To tax arrearage fund, 1889, adjusted taxes, 1889	4,911 46
To tax arrearage fund, 1888, adjusted taxes, 1888	3,213 24
To tax arrearage fund, adjusted taxes, 1875 to 1887	26,176 92
To tax arrearage fund, interest on adjusted taxes	859 90
To tax arrearage fund, 1873, adjusted taxes 1872 and previous years	745 44
To tax fund, 1873, adjusted taxes 1873 and 1874	649 08
To water account, adjusted water rents	3,942 13
To assessment account, adjusted assessments	9,024 09
Total	$93,489.87

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, on Thursday, June 20, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the "special" meeting, June 14, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of Charles Birdsall, for the return of $163.79 paid for taxes for 1891 in error, the taxes as adjusted having also been paid.

Of George W. Grant, President American Lumber Co. to have cancelled of record any tax for year 1890 that may appear unpaid on the books of the City Collector against lots 8, 9, Block 672, Duffield avenue, as the tax against said property has once been paid.

Of Benjamin Edge, for the return of $17.30 for duplicate payment of water rents of year 1894.

Of John Beggans, for the return of $8 erroneous assessment paid for water rents for years 1892, 1893, 1894 and 1895.

A communication from Isaac Romaine, attorney, of Maxwell McMaster, relative to an award of $1,000 for change of grade on Vroom street, and remaining unpaid, was received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

James Atchinson, $9.35; Theodore Gubleman, $22; Peter Dafeldeker, $18; John Ramsey, $150; J. C. News, $105; and Kent K. Stearns and Otto Crouse, $161.50.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The following resolutions, requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance, and adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners were received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. That the resolution adopted by this Board June 11th, 1895, to wit:—

Fixing the salaries of Evan T. Rogers, O. K. Gardner, Thos. Johnson, G. W. Lamberson, J. H. Koepplinger and James Wormsley be and is hereby reconsidered and rescinded.

(Adopted June 17th, 1895.)

2. That the salaries of employes appointed this day be and are hereby fixed as follows:—

Evan T. Rogers, General Clerk, vice L. C. Allen, removed, $100 per month.

O. K. Gardner, General Clerk, vice James Kelly, removed, $100 per month.

Thomas Johnson, General Clerk, vice T. J. Burns, removed, $75 per month.

Geo. W. Lamberson, General Clerk, vice I. W. Startup, promoted, $75 per month.

John H. Koepplinger, General Clerk, vice Joseph Hertel, removed, $75 per month.

James Wormsley, Reservoir Keeper, High Service, vice Theo. Mendles, removed, $60 per month.

(Adopted June 17, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted June 18, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending the adoption of the fololwing resolutions:—

1. Resolved, That the resolution, adopted by this Board June 14, 1895, concurring in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners of June 11, 1895, fixing the salaries of the following employes:—

Evan T. Rogers, General Clerk, at $100 per month.

O. K. Gardner, General Clerk, at $100 per month

Thos. Johnson, General Clerk, at $75 per month.

G. W. Lamberson, General Clerk, at $75 per month.

J. H. Koepplinger, General Clerk, at $75 per month.

James Wormsley, Reservoir Keeper at $60 per month.

Be and the same is hereby rescinded, for the reason that said resolution of the Street and Water Board was reconsidered and rescinded June 17, 1895.

2. Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, June 17, 1895, to wit:—

Fixing the salaries of the following employes, appointed June 17, 1895:—

Evan T. Rogers, General Clerk, vice L. C. Allen, at $100 per month.

O. K. Gardner, General Clerk, vice James Kelly, at $100 per month.

Thomas Johnson, General Clerk, vice T. J. Burns, $75 per month.

Geo. W. Lamberson, General Clerk, vice I. W. Startup, promoted, $75 per month.

John H. Koepplinger, General Clerk, vice Jos. Hertel, $75 per month.

James Wormsley, Reservoir Keeper, High Service, vice Theo. Mendles, at $60 per month.

3. Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners June 18, 1895, to wit:—

Ordering paid the following claims:—

A. Datz, $35; Brinkman & Hauck, $60.45; A. Collard, $84.83; F. A. Smith, $48.72; J. C. Herald, $7 and $5; J. C. News, $162; H. Mootz, $7; Theo. Mendles,

$6.23; Brown & Miller, $158.70, $23.49 and $66.93; Vanderbeek & Sons, $353.89; H. R. Worthington, $2.29; Mackey, Young & Co., $73.27; Berwind White Coal Mining Co., $90; Chesapeake & Ohio Coal Agency Co., $70.50; F. A. Smith, $28.68; W. W. Farrier, $4.37; F. Schwanhauser, $10.75; Wood & Menagh, $44.43; J. F. Underhill, $27.97, $6.97, $56.25 and $7.99; E. B. Requa, $66.

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

John Ramsey, for a safe for City Comptroller's office, $150.

J. C. News, advertising "Martin Act" notices, $105.

Kent K. Stearns and Otto Crouse, for making searches, for perfecting titles to lands purchased by the city, under the "Martin Act," $161.50.

(All chargeable to Martin Act account.)

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of June, 1895, when due, to wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney for cleaning rooms.

$40 to Charles Golden for tending fires.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of June, 1895, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City News	$229 16
The Evening Journal	229 16
The J. C. Herald	229 16

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of N. P. Wedin for $70 for services as Assistant Clerk to District Court during the month of June, 1895, when due (to be paid only out of District Court fees).

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of Albert Payne, for $66.66 for services as Marshal of the Second District Court, during the month of June, 1895, when due (To be paid only out of District Court fees).

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following salaries for the month of June, 1895, when due:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wauser, Mayor.

250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to William F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Chief Clerk to City Collector.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk Board of Finance.

$88.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assitant Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Colector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Charles Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John H. McCutcheon, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$150 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$100 to William C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$33.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$75 to Edward T. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims, (all chargeable to account of Printing, Stationery, etc., year 1894-1895).

James Atchinson, for rubber hand stamps for City Comptroller, $9.35.

Theodore Gubelman, for negatives and prints for use in certiorari case relating to Duncan avenue sewer, $22.

Peter Dafeldeker, for carpenter work, etc., at City Hall, $18.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Detwiller moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Tuesday, June 25, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

The following resolutions were presented, and they were each adopted by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Charles Birdsall for $163.79 to return said sum, including $41.67 interest, being amount paid May 20, 1895, for taxes for year 1891, against Lot 30, Block 316, Fifth Street, as originally assessed, and the taxes against the same property subsequently readjusted by the Commissioners of Adjustment for $113.60, and paid June 20, 1895, thus showing that the taxes on the above-named property have been twice paid.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby directed to cancel the assessment of $110 levied for year 1894, for personal tax on copper ore stored on premises located on Tonnele avenue, Block 961, assessed to A. Belmont & Co., as appears on the books of the Fourth District, folio 197; such cancellation being advised by the Corporation Counsel for the reason that the ore was in transit across the State and was stopped in this city by force of circumstances until its consignee ordered it forwarded to its original destination, and that the tax would be in clear violation of interstate commerce law.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That so much of the resolution of this Board, adopted February 26th, 1895, ordering paid the claim of Otto Crouse and Kent K. Stearns $211.50 for examining titles and disbursements under the "Martin Act" be and the same is hereby rescinded.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Begans for $8 to return amount erroneously assessed, and paid June 7th, 1892; Oct. 3d, 1893; Sept. 12th, 184, and June 17th, 1895, for water rents for the years 1892, 1893, 1894 and 1895 respectively ($2.00 for each year) on Lot 132, Block 572, St. Paul's avenue, said assessment being erroneous for the reason that only two families have ever occupied the premises.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Benjamin Edge for $17.30 for duplicate payment of Water Rents for year 1894 on Lot 81, Block 71, Washington street, paid June 30th, 1894, being duplicate of payment made same date.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board May 9, 1895, directing that the unexpended balances of appropriation of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for "Rent of Armories" for the present fiscal year be transferred to the credit of account of "Gas and Supplies for Armories" of the Board of Aldermen, be and the same is hereby rescinded, for the reason that the making of such transfers would be illegal.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Kate Thomas for the sum of $59.51, the same being the amount paid by her January 30, 1895, as adjusted water rents and interest on same on lots 21 and 22, block 925, Germania avenue, it appearing by certificates of City Clerk, also Water Registrar, that the water rents for the same years as adjusted, were previously paid on lot 22, and that lot 21 is, and always has been, a vacant lot and not liable to be assessed for water rents.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, Tuesday June 25th, 1895, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, and Hardenbergh (4).

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

The regular order of business was then taken up.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of John A. Mackinnon and John A. Makinnon, Jr. that certain warrants ordered drawn by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners to "Unknown," for award of damages for property taken for Pine Street sewer, between Forest street and Newark & N. Y. R.R.,be made payable to them, they being the owners of the premises taken for said sewer and being entitled the amounts due on said warrants.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of John C. Reinhardt, for the return of $1.83 erroneously assessed and paid for water rents for years of 1893-94.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of Joseph Hieber to return $6 for erroneous assessment paid for water rents for years of 1894-95.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of Frederick E. Mortimer, Chaplain of St. Katherine's Chapel and Home, for the remission of taxes on property owned by the said Home.

Referred to the Chairman of the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate Committees:

John J. Walsh, $147.90 and A. J. Doan, $6.00

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication was received and ordered filed, and on motion of Mr. Detwiller the Clerk was directed to communicate with the Committee on Finance of the City of Paterson, to say that this Board would be pleased to meet said Committee at a meeting of this Board, to be held July 2d, next, at 8 o'clock p. m.:

Paterson, New Jersey, June 21st, 1895.

Mr. John M. Jones, President of Board of Finance, Jersey City, N. J.:—

Dear Sir—I am directed by the Committee on Finance of the Board of Aldermen of Paterson, N. J., to communicate with you in reference to a conference on the question of Water Supply. Our Committee would like to know when they would be able to meet with your Board.

Very truly,

JOHN T. POLLITT,

Clerk.

The following resolutions, requiring the concurrence of this Board, were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1 Awarding to M. T. Connolly the contract for furnishing and laying about 3,700 lineal feet of 12-inch cast iron water pipe, about 30 feet 8-inch and about 50 feet 6-inch pipe, gates, etc., in Tonnelle avenue from the old 36-inch main to the County Road according to specifications and at the prices named in his bid he being the lowest bidder.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

2 Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the Improvement of 14th street between Henderson street and Jersey Avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

3. Awarding to P. H. Flaherty,Jr. & Co., the contract for the Improvement of Clerk Street from Bramhall Avenue to the northerly line of the right of way of the Newark & N. Y. R. R., conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

4 Awarding to The Barber Asphalt Paving Co., the contract for the Improvement of Oak Street between Bergen Avenue and Ocean Avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

5 Awarding to Henry Byrne, the contract for the Improvement of Westervelt Street from Cornelison Avenue to Grand Street.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

6 That the salary of Fireman at Belleville appointed this day be and is hereby fixed at $65.00 per month when engaged. (William Carey vice William Burns.)

(Adopted June 25th, 1895).

7 Ordering paid the salaries of the Water Registrar, etc., in the Water Department for the month of June, 1895, when due, as per pay roll, amounting to $3,018.31.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895).

8 Ordering paid the salaries of Laborers on Meters, for the month of June, 1895, when due, as per pay roll, amounting to $540.00.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895).

9 Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895).

The following resolutions was also received from the same Board, and disposed of as follows:

1 That when this Board shall have approved of the specifications for furnishing by contract for such general supplies as may be required, the Clerk is hereby authorize to advertise for proposals thereunder for the term of one year.

(Adopted May 20th, 1895).

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent resolutions:

2 That the Board of Finance be and is hereby requested to set aside for the use of this Board during the current fiscal

year, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, in order that the provisions of Chapter 166 of the Laws of 1894 and Chapter 217 and Chapter 289 of the Laws of 1895 may be properly complied with, and

Resolved, That when said sum of Twenty-five hundred dollars so set aside shall have been expended the Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to forward to said Board of Finance an itemized statement of expenditures made therefrom showing in detail the improvements to which the same will become chargeable or the contemplated improvement by reason of which the expenditure was incurred.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1 Awarding to M. T. Connolly the contract for furnishing and laying about 3,700 lineal feet of 12-inch cast iron water pipe, about 30 feet of 8-inch and about 50 feet of 6-inch pipe,gates,etc., in Tonnele Avenue, from the old 36-inch main to the County Road, according to specifications and at the prices named in his bid, he being the lowest bidder.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

2 Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on Meters, during the month of June, 1895, amounting to $540 as per pay roll.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

3 Fixing the salary of Wm. Carey, appointed June 25th, 1895, as Fireman at Belleville at $65 a month when engaged.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

4 Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Westervelt Street, from Cornelison Avenue to Grand Street.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895.)

5 That when this Board shall have approved of the specifications for furnishing by contract for such general supplies as may be required, the Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for proposals thereunder, for the term of one year.

(Adopted May 20th, 1895.)

6 Awarding to P. H. Flaherty, Jr. & Co., the contract for the improvement of Clerk street, from Bramhall avenue to the northerly line of the right of way of the Newark & New York Railroad, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895).

7 Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of 14th street between Henderson street and Jersey Avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895).

8 Ordering paid the salaries of Water Registrar, etc., for the month of June, 1895, when due, amounting to $3,018.31, as per pay roll.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895).

9 Awarding to The Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improving of Oak street, between Bergen Avenue and Ocean Avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted June 25th, 1895).

10 Ordering paid the following claims:

June 18th, 1895—J. F. Underhill, $13.90 and A. P. Smith, $129.39.

June 25th, 1895—W. W. Farrier, $18.75, $400.92 and $460.00; Vanderbeck & Sons, $340.17; Herring Hall, Marvin Co., $1.50; Duhme & Troll, $116.01; Wood & Menagh, $72.34; H. C. Gruber, $41.14; Denton, Shaw & Hanaford, $200.00; Charles L. Rugge, $79.26.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson—1.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery, etc., reported recommending the adoption of a resolution ordering paid the following claim:—

$6 to A. J. Doan for copies of brief The State, Charles Moran and Henry Prigge vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City.

The report was received and the claim ordered paid by the following vote, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson—1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

A committee representing the Hudson City Improvement Association here presented themselves and requested the privilege of presenting a petition, signed by Charles Flach, D. O'Brien, William Dohrmann and others, requesting that the Board of Finance make an appropriation for the building of steps from Laidlaw and Palisade avenue on the hill to Hoboken avenue, near the city line.

The privilege was granted and the committee, before retiring, was assured by the President of the Board that the petition will receive due consideration, and that improvement will soon be made.

Mr. Detwiller moved that when the Board adjourns it be to meet on Tuesday evening next (July 2) at eight o'clock.

Adopted.

The following resolutions were presented and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson—1.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of J. H. McConkey for $4, to return amount erroneously charged and paid June 13, 1895, for water rents for years 1894 and 1895, on Lot 20, Block 843, Nelson avenue, only two (2) families ever having occupied the premises.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John C. Reinhardt for $1.83, to return erroneous assessment for water rents, years 1893 and 1894, on Lot 12, Block 754, Hancock avenue, the assessment should have been made for a "hopper" instead of "water closet."

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Harry McBride for $10.65 to return amount erroneously assessed for water rents for year 1895, and paid May 2, 1895, on a plot, Block 361 Gifford avenue, north, the erroneous assessment for such water rents being for a steam heater.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Harry D. Entwistle for $2 to return amount erroneously assessed for water rents 1894-1895, on lot part 40 and part 39, Block 355, Astor place, the erroneous assessment being for water tank.

On motion of Mr. Detwiller the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Tuesday, July 2, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

The regular order of business was taken up.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of A. B. Dayton, attorney of Ulamer Allen, to have cancelled certain water rents on lots 652, 662 and 670, Block 787, for years 1882 to 1891, both inclusive.

Of Mary R. Elkins, for the return of $4, amount paid in error June 13, 1895, on lot D, Block 102, No. 101 Montgomery street for water rents.

Of J. B. Thomas, for the return of $11.40 for duplicate payment of water rents for year 1895 on lot 25, Block 242, No. 229 Bay street, paid June 19, 1895, being duplicate of payment made June 13, 1895.

Of Charles E. Whitehead, for the return of $120.35, amount of surplus realized upon the tax sale by the City Collector October 22, 1890.

Of John M. Jones, to have returned to him $13.75,, amount paid in error on certain property, taxes for year 1894.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

J. W. Harrison, $118.70, $9.75, $28, $51; Andrew J. Boyle, $32; W. P. Douglass, $48; James F. Norton, $134; J. Herbert Potts, $201.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Requesting the Board of Finance to appropriate $1,000 to meet a prospective deficiency in account Printing, Stationery and Supplies for the current year.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

From the Sinking Fund Commission:—

Estimates of appropriations for fiscal year 1895-1896.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

Rescinding the resolution adopted May 27, 1895, ordering paid $95.70 to W. W. Farrier.

Received and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(All chargeable to account Fees from Criminal Courts.)

Andrew J. Boyle, fees as Clerk of Second Criminal Court, for month of June, 1895, $32.

William P. Douglass, fees as Judge of Second Criminal Court, for month of June, 1895, $48.

James F. Norton, fees as Clerk of First Criminal Court, for month of June, 1895, $134.

J. Herbert Potts, fees as Judge of First Criminal Court, for month of June, 1895, $201.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nay—None.

Absent—None.

The same committtee further reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(Chargeable to "Martin Act" account.)

John J. Walsh, for serving notices under the "Martin Act," $147.90.

J. W. Harrison, for blank books for "Martin Act" data, City Clerk's office, $51.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(All chargeable to the account Printing, Stationery &c., year 1894-1895.)

J. W. Harrison, Printing, Stationery, &c., "City Comptroller's office, $28.

J. W. Harrison, Printing, Stationery, &c., "City Treasurer's" office, $9.75.

J. W. Harrison, Printing, Stationery, &c., "City Collector's" office, $118.70.

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson, (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson, (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Hardenberg:—

Resolved, That the City Collector be

and is hereby directed to cancel on the books in his office the taxes for years 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893 and 1894 against Lots 18 to 21, Block 717, Reservoir avenue, for the reason that said assessments are erroneous, the property having been owned by the St. Katherine's Society since April 30, 1890, and is used as a home, a religious and charitable institution for the reformation of young girls, and a part is set off for a chapel in which daily services are held.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That immediately after the sale by the City Collector of lands for unpaid adjusted taxes, assessments, &c., under the provisions of Chapter 112, Laws of 1886, and the several supplements and amendments thereto, the City Comptroller obtain from the New Jersey Title Guarantee and Trust Company the names of the owners of each parcel of land purchased by the city, and to send notice of purchase by the city to each owner before procuring a search and causing notices to be served.

Resolved, That in each and every case where property remains unredeemed for a period of thirty days from the date of notice of purchase, the City Comptroller shall direct said Title Company to make a search and to serve notices in accordance with the agreement entered into by the city with the N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Company, to the end that where property is not redeemed, deeds may be procured by the city, and the titles thus secured may be absolutely perfect, and beyond question in case of subsequent sale or resale by the city.

By Mr. Hardenburgh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of J. B. Thomas, for the return of $11.40, duplicate payment of water rents for the year 1895, on Lot 25, Block 242, No. 229 Bay street, paid June 19, 1895, being duplicate of payment made June 13, 1895.

By Mr. Hardenberg:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Joseph Hieber for $6, amount paid for erroneous assessment for water rents for years 1894 and 1895, on lot 38, block 1,370, Greenville avenue, and paid June 17, 1895, being an assessment of $3 for each of said years for a "water closet" not contained on the premises.

By Mr. Hardenberg:—

Resolved, That upon the reports of the Corporation Counsel and City Comptroller, endorsed upon the petition of Charles E. Whitehead, a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Charles E. Whitehead for one hundred and twenty dollars and thirty-five cents ($130.35) for amount of surplus realized upon the tax sale under Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1886 and the supplements thereto, made by the City Collector on October 22, 1890, of lots 5H and 6H, block 810, Irving street, over and above the sum as adjusted due the city with interest, cost and disbursements.

Mr. Mathew Maguire, a member of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Paterson, and representing the Finance Committee of the said Board, was present at this meeting, agreeable to arrangement made with the Board of Finance in response to a communication dated June 21, 1895, received by this Board June 25, 1895, and the privilege of the floor having been accorded to him, he addressed the Board on the subject of procuring a water plant for a new supply of water to be maintained jointly by the cities of Paterson and Jersey City.

The Board then adjourned on motion of Mr. Simpson.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, on Tuesday, July 9, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

The call for the special meeting issued by the President, which was for the transaction of "General Business," was read.

The regular order of business was then taken up.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petition of William Parker for the return of $13.85 for duplicate payment of water rents for 1895, on lot 3, Block 1,434, 32 Hooker avenue.

Petition of Gustav Schumann's Sons for the return of $8.35 for duplicate payment of water rents for year 1895, on lot 203, Block 662, No. 78 James street.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

John A. Blair, $149.58; Peter Golden, $35; A. B. C. Guide Co., $18; A. Datz, $37 and $100; J. C. News, $36; Postal Telegraph Cable Co., $2.20.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The official bond of Alonzo Calhoun as Pound Keeper in the sum of $500 with Henry Mang and Louis Sellier as sureties, was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and referred to the Committe on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Awarding the contract to restore the surface of the Hudson County Public Road over water pipe trenches between Griffith street and and North street to Henry & McGivney, as per bid.

(Adopted July 2, 1895).

2. Fixing the salary of Daniel B. Aimes, fireman at Belleville Pumping Station, (appointed July 2, 1895), at $65 per month.

(Adopted July 2, 1895).

3. Fixing the salary of Willian Harrison, coal passer at Belleville Pumping Station, (appointed July 2, 1895) vice Patrick Connolly, resigned, at $2 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted July 2, 1895).

4. Fixing the salaries of employes appointed July 2, 1895—George McCormack, caulker, vice Bernard Whalen at $2.50 per day, when engaged, and others.

(Adopted July 2, 1895).

5. Fixing the salary of William Carey, coal passer at Belleville Pumping Staton, (appointed July 2, 1895,) at $2 per day, when engaged.

Adopted July 2, 1895,)

6. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted July 2, 1895.)

7. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted July 2, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the salaries of the General Superintendent etc., in the Water Department for the month of June, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $1412.

(Adopted July 2, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported, recommending that the offical bond of Alonzo Calhoun, as Pound Keeper in the sum of $500, with Henry Mang and Louis Sellier, as sureties, be received and approved, and that the same be spread at large upon the bond book and filed.

The report was received and the bond was approved by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenberg (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions, reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Fixing the salary of Willian Carey, coal passer at Belleville, (appointed July 2, 1895) at $2 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted July 2, 1895).

2. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, etc., for the month of June, 1895, amounting to $1,412.

(Adopted July 2, 1895).

3. Fixing the salaries of George McCormack and others, (appointed July 2, 1895).

(Adopted July 2, 1895).

4. Fixing the salary of William Harrison, coal passer at Belleville (vice Patrick Connolly, resigned) appointed July 2, 1895, at $2 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted July 2, 1895.)

5. Fixing the salary of Daniel B. Aimes, fireman at Belleville, (appointed (July 2, 1895,) at $65 per month.

(Adopted July 2, 1895.)

6. Ordering paid the following claims:

June 18, 1895, Jacob Beyl, $42.

July 2, 1895, Savage & Callary, $39.06; $87.52 and $90.61; Evening Journal Association, $125; J. C. News, $21; Duhme & Troll, $107.54; Charles L. Rugge, $84.00; Evening Journal Association, $16.10; Geo. J. Heany, $63.30, and Brown & Miller, $19.64.

The report was received and resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported, recommending the adoption of

a resoluton ordering paid the following claim (chargeable to the "Martin Act" account):—

$70.65 to Randolph Perkins for serving notices under the "Martin Act."

The report was received and the claim was ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes.—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Nays.—None.

Absent.—Mr. Simpson (1).

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account of Printing, Stationery, &c., year 1894-95).

A. Datz, printing, stationery, etc., Board of Finance, $37.

A. Datz, postage stamps furnished Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes, $100.

J. C. News, printing manual slips Board of Finance, pages 21-38, $36.

Postal Tel. Cable Co., messenger service Board of Finance for June, 1895, $2.20.

Peter Golden, extra services as messenger "City Clerk and Comptroller," in June and July, 1895, $35.00.

John A. Blair, expenses as corporation counsel, $149.58.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

Ayes—President Jones, and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1)

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, and the same were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Simpson (1).

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John M. Jones, for $13.75, to return amount paid in error December 28, 1894, for taxes year 1894, on lots 3 and 4, block 82, Sip Avenue.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Love & Wanser, agents of Margaret R. Elkins for $4, to return amount paid for erroneous assessment for water rents on Lot D, Block 102, Montgomery street, for year 1895 ($2 overcharge for water closet, 1895, and $2 for extra assessment levied for 1894 for water closet).

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William Parker for $13.85 for duplicate payment of water rents for the year 1895, on Lot 3, Block 1,434, Hooker avenue, paid July 3, 1895, being duplicate of payment made June 28, 1895.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Gustav Schumann's Sons for $8.35, for duplicate payment of water rents for 1895, on Lot 203, Block 662, No. 78 James street, paid June 27, 1895, being duplicate of payment made May 22, 1895.

On motion of Mr. Detwiller the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

On Thursday, July 18, 1895, at the hour of eight o'clock P. M., at the regular meeting room of the Board of Finance, in the City Hall, I called the roll of membership of the Board of Finance, no one of whom responded thereto, all of said members being absent.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance, was held in its rooms at the City Hall, on Friday, July 19, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

The call for the meeting issued by the President for the transaction of General Business was read.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The following minutes were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr. Simpson:—

Regular meeting, June 20, adjourned June 25, and July 2 and special July 9, 1895.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The folowing petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Petition of Penelope Galloway, for the return of $2 for overcharge for water rents, 1894-1895.

Petition of Agnes Gallagher, for the return of $5.80 for overcharge for water rents paid for 1893-1894.

Petition of Richard Lahey, for the return of $114.15, for duplicate payment of taxes for year of 1892.

Petition of John Nevins to return $4.00 overcharge for water rents, 1895, paid June 27th, 1895.

Petition of H. T. Nugent, agent of estate of S. M. Hoffman, for the return of $4.00 for overcharge for water rents, year 1895.

Petition of R. S. B. Edmondson for the return of $2.00 for overcharge for water rents, years 1894-1895.

Transcript of judgment rendered in First District Court of Jersey City in favor of Charles Birdsall and against the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City for $82.37 debt and $2.12 costs.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Communication from Charles H. Voorhis, attorney, enclosing taxed bill of costs, $37.74, due him on judgment of the Supreme Court, setting aside proceedings had before Police Justice Kimmerly against one Kenny, prosecutor for alleged violation of ordinance of Board of Health of Jersey City forbidding the removal of dead animals, and requesting the payment of said bill.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

J. W. Harrison, $150, $10.55 and $18; J. J. O'Hara, $71; W. T. Vidal, $82.95; C. S. Westervelt, $30; F. P. Van Saun, $25; J. C. News, $35; J. J. Walsh, $75.10; Kent K. Steans, $67; Randolph Perkins, $29.75.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Ordering paid certain claims.

Adopted July 9, 1895.

2. Ordering paid certain claims.

Adopted July 16, 1895.

3. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Pamrapo avenue from Old Bergen Road to the Hudson County Public Road (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895).

Adopted July 16, 1895.

4. Awarded to John F. Shanley the contract for the improvement of Arlington avenue from Grand street to Bay View avenue to Garfield avenue from Bay View avenue to a point about 300 feet south of Gates avenue (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895).

Adopted July 16, 1895.

5. Awarded to the Standard Oil Company the contract to furnish and deliver cylinder, castor, engine and kerosene oils at Belleville and High Service Pumping Stations as per bid, and that the Corporation Attorney draw contract of same.

(Adopted July 16th, 1895.)

6. That the clerk be directed and is hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for laying cast iron water pipe according to specifications.

(Adopted July 16th, 1895.)

7. That the clerk be directed and is hereby authorized to advertise for proposals to furnish and deliver cast iron water pipe according to specifications.

(Adopted July 16th, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of June, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $4,446.84.

(Adopted July 9th, 1895.)

9. Ordering paid the salaries of employes, laying and repairing water pipe for the month of June, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $2,580.04.

(Adopted July 9th, 1895.)

A comunication was received from the City Clerk, in which he requests that this Board make provisions for the purchase of a set of the new assessment maps of Jersey City to be filed in the City Clerk's office as a part of the records thereof.

Received and ordered filed.

The folowing resolutions, adopted by the Board of Aldermen July 9th, 1895, were presented to this Board for concurrence, and they were received and referred to the Corporation Counsel:—

Resolved, That the petition of Kate Matthews, under date July 8th, 1895, asking the consent of this Board to the withdrawal of her application for li-

cense to keep an inn and tavern (now in the hands of the Committee on Excise) be and the same is hereby granted, and the further consideration of said application is hereby dispensed with.

Resolved, That by and with concurrence of the Board of Finance, a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer for the sum of two hundred and forty-eight dollars in favor of Kate Matthews, the same being the amount of deposit made by her with City Clerk upon filing her application for license to keep inn and tavern June 19th, 1895, less expense for advertising as required by law, $2.00.

The following communication was received, and on motion of Mr. Simpson was ordered spread in full upon the minutes and filed:—

Jersey City, July 12th, 1895.

John M. Jones, President Board of Finance, Jersey City:—

Dear Sir: I have been instructed by the Board of City Hall Commissioners to notify you that the request made by you in your comunication addressed to this Board, bearing date of June 4th, 1895, for an assignment of three rooms fronting on Henderson street, in the second story of the new City Hall, has been granted.

Very respectfully,

G. F. FARRELL,

Clerk.

Official bond of George Schaaff, as Constable, in the sum of $1,000, with E. R. Wessels and Paul Haller as sureties, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

(This bond is in place of one presented April 30th, 1895, and now in the hands of the Committee on Finance.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. To advertise for proposals to furnish and deliver cast iron water pipe.

(Adopted July 16th, 1895.)

2. To advertise for bids to lay cast iron water pipe.

(Adopted July 16th, 1895.)

3. Awarding to Henry & McGivney the contract to restore the surface of the Hudson County Public Road over water pipe trenches between Griffith street and North street at prices named in their bid, $2,390, they being the lowest bidders.

(Adopted July 2nd, 1895.)

4. Awarding to John F. Shanley the contract for the improvement of Arlington avenue from Grand street to Bay View avenue to Garfield avenue, from Bay View avenue to a point about 300 feet south of Gates avenue (conformably to the provisions of chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895).

(Adopted July 16th, 1895.)

5. Awarding to the Standard Oil Company the contract to furnish and deliver cylinder, castor, engine and kerosene oils at Belleville and High Service Pumping Stations, as per bid, and that the Corporation Attorney draw contract for same.

(Adopted July 16th, 1895.)

6. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Pamrapo avenue from Old Bergen Road to the Hudson County Public Road (conformably to the provisions of chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895).

(Adopted July 16th, 1895.)

7. Ordering paid the following salaries for the month of June, 1895, as per payrolls:—

Belleville and High Service $4,446 84
Laying and repairing water-pipe. 2,580 04

(Adopted July 9th, 1895.)

9. Ordering paid the following claims:—

July 9th, 1895—Susie Sutherland, $10.00, $9.50 and $23.00; Ewald Bros., 72 cents; W. W. Farrier, $6.25; R. D. Urquhart, $22.50; J. C. News, $14.00 and $60.00; Savage & Callary, $151.13.

July 16th, 1895.—Brown & Miller, $94, $56.28, $137.78 and $8.42; A. Datz, $12.45; Theodore Mendles, $2.65; F. A. Smith, $32.37; J. F. Underhill, $5.25 and $16.20; Washburn Bros. & Co., $22.26; Brown & Miller, $5.60; W. W. Farrier, $20; A. Datz, $28.75 and $51.50; Herring-Hall-Marvin Co., $1.50; Theo Smith & Bro., $5.40, $49.41 and $6.11; John A. Vill, $11.90; Jos. Zumbush, $30.51; United and Gas Improvement Co., $10.50.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh, and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to the "Martin Act" account):

F. P. Van Saun, for typewriting, etc., City Comptroller's office for July, 1895, when due, $25.

C. S. Westervelt, for itemizing reports of Commissioners of Adjustment for July, 1895, when due, $30.

J. C. News, for advertising "Martin Act" notices, $35

J. W. Harrison, for printing, etc., for City Clerk's office, $18.

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

The same Committee further reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of July, 1895, when due, to wit:

$30 to Honora Lamb, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney, for cleaning rooms

$40 to Charles Golden, for tending fires.

Resolved, That warrents be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of July, 1895, when due, as follows:

The Jersey City News, $229.16.

The Evening Journal, $229.16.

The J. C. Herald, $229.16.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of N. P. Wedin for $70 for services as Assistant Clerk to the District Court, during the month of July 1895, when due; (to be paid only out of District Court fees).

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of Albert Payne, for $66.66 for services as Marshal to the Second District Court during the month of July, 1895, when due; (to be paid only out of District Court fees).

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of July, 1895, when due as follows:

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to Wm. F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Charles F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John H. McCutcheon, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halsted, Clerk to City Clek.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$150 to L. D. Fowler. Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$100 to Wm. C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$75 to Edward P. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

The reports were received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to the account, printing, stationery and supplies, 1894-1895):—

$82.95 to W. T. Vidal, for printing and stationery, Mayor's office.

$150 to J. W. Harrison, for one set (4 vols. full bound, map of Jersey City for City Collector).

$10.55 to J. W. Harrison, for printing and stationery, Mayor's office.

$71 to J. J. O'Hara for printing and stationery, Board of Finance.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Detwiller moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Thursday, July 25th, 1895, at 7 o'clock p. m.

Adopted.

The followig resolutions were presented and received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board May, 16th, 1895, concurring in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners of May 13th, 1895, ordering paid the claims of M. T. Connolly, for $160.31 for laying water pipe, be and it is hereby rescinded and that the said claim be returned to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for further investigation as to the charges therein.

By Mr. Detwiller:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of R. S. B. Edmondson for $2.00 to return amount paid for overcharge for water rents, year 1895, on Lot G, Block 343, No. 291 Varick street, water closets for 1895, should have been assessed at $5 instead of $6, and extra assessments for water closets, year 1894, should have been $1 instead of $2.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of H. T. Nugent, agent of estate S. M. Hoffman for $4 to return amount paid June 28, 1895, for over charge for water rents, year 1895, on Lot 29, Block 137, No. 28 Newark avenue, no "extra families" should have been charged for.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Joseph Stencer for $10 to return amount erroneously assessed for water rents for years 1894 and 1895 on Lot C', Block 388, No. 358 Fourth street, and paid May 16, 1895, the erroneous assessments being for baths and water closets which were never in the premises.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Penelope Galloway for $2 to return amount erroneously assessed for water rents, years 1894 and 1895, on lot 38, Block 355, Astor place, and paid June 12, 1895, the erroneous charge being for a "tank water closet."

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following salaries of members of the Board of Finance, when due:—

John M. Jones, from April 24, 1895, to July 23, 1895 (both dates inclusive), $125.

James S. Bailey, from April 24, 1895, to July 23, 1895 (both dates inclusive), $125.

J. W. Hardenbergh, from April 24, 1895, to July 23, 1895 (both dates inclusive), $125.

J. J. Detwiller, from April 24, 1895, to July 23, 1895 (both dates inclusive), $125.

Reuben Simpson for May, June and July, 1895, $125.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, to transfer from Adjusted Lien Account collections made June 14, 1895, to July 18, 1895, inclusive, as follows:

To General Account, Adjusted Taxes, 1894	$6,340 87
To General Account, Adjusted Taxes, 1893	6,534 23
To General Account, Tax Sale, Advertising Fees	16 00
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1892, Adjusted Taxes, 1892	7,698 63
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1891, Adjusted Taxes, 1891	7,099 35
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1890, Adjusted Taxes, 1890	5,223 37
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1889, Adjusted Taxes, 1889	5,158 53
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1888, Adjusted Taxes, 1888	4,744 51
To Tax Arrearage Fund, Adjusted Taxes, 1875 to 1887	19,874 27
To Tax Arrearage Fund, Interest on Adjusted Taxes	6,100 54
To Fund, 1873, Adjusted Taxes 1872, and Previous Years	67 20
To Fund, 1873, Adjusted Taxes, 1873 and 1874	41 70
To Water Account, Adjusted Water Rents	4,993 45
To Assessment Account, Adjusted Assessments	6,586 39
	$79,879 04

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, to be deposited to the credit of August, 1895, interest, as follows:

On General Account	$44,999 95
On Water Account	14,625 00
Total	$59,624 95

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $20,000 on account of County Taxes of 1894.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Agnes Gallagher for $5.80, to return the following amounts paid for erroneous assessment for water rents on lots "23 and "24J, Pine street, and lot "24K, Pine street, Block 461.

For year 1893, assessment on 4-story building, instead of 3-story building, $21.40; overcharge, $2.90.

For year 1894, assessment on 4-story building instead of 3-story building, $21.40; overcharge, $2.90.

Total amount overcharged, $5.80.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Trasurer in favor of Richard Lahey for $114.15 (including $23.27 interest) for duplicate payment of taxes for year 1892 on lot 64C and 66C, block 564, Hopkins avenue, paid July 15, 1895, being duplicate of payment made May 19, 1894.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of E. F. Henning for $9.15 to return the following amounts erroneously assessed and paid June 13, 1894, for water rents: $4 for extra families for 1895 and $4 extra families for 1894 and $1.15 for overcharge on front building as a two story building, when the assessment should have been for a one and a half-story building, all against lot 25, block 931, Zabriskie street.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Nevins for $4 to return amount overcharged and paid June 27, 1895, for water rents, year 1894 and 1895, on lot 5, block 345, No. 261 Wayne street, the charge for families should have been $6 instead of $8 for each of said years.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, on Thursday, July 25, 1895, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

The regular order of business was then taken up.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Petition of Faunce & Co., agents of T. Turley, for the return of $7.93 for duplicate payments of Water Rents for 1895, on Lot D, Block 663, No. 38 Kearny avenue, paid July 18, 1895, being duplicate of payment made July 10, 1895.

Petition of D. W. Lawrence & Co., for the return of $9.50 for duplicate payment of Water Rents for 1895 on Lot 185, Block 634, No. 65 Skillman avenue, paid June 27, 1895 and June 27, 1895.

Petition of Henry Heitman to transfer payments made for taxes on Lot north ½ 7, Block 951 to Lot north ½ 10, Block 951, for years 1892, 1893 and 1894.

Petition of Frank J. Mathews for the return of $76.40 for duplicate payment of taxes for 1893 on Lots 25 to 28 Block 188, paid July 18, 1895, being duplicate of payment made July 22, 1895.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., $6.85, 15c., $14.55, $60.20 and $2.10; Albert Datz, $135, and Charles H. Voorhis, $37.74.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communications were presented, received and disposed of as follows:—

From the Commissioners of Adjustment:—

Resolution—That a requisition be made on the Board of Finance for $7,500 to defray the present current expenses of the Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the City Collector:—

Certifying that he has received from the County Clerk Report No. 100, made by the Commissioners of Adjustment, amounting to $184,514.71, filed July 1st, 1895.

Received and ordered filed.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Resolution adopted July 23d, 1895.

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Edward J. Trembly for two hundred and forty-eight dollars ($248), to refund license fee deposited June 13th, 1895 (less $2 charged for advertising) to keep a restaurant at No. 93 Linden avenue, Seventh ward, said license having been refused.

Referred to the Committtee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of this Board:—

1. Fixing the salary of George J. Ackerman, Inspector on laying water pipe in Tonnele avenue, at $3 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

2. Fixing the salary of Isaac M. Pinkney, carpenter in the pipe yard, (vice Michael Collins, dismissed) at the rate of $3 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted July 16, 1895.)

3. Awarding to Vanderbeek & Sons the contract to furnish and deliver lumber at prices named in their proposal of July 23, 1895, etc.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

4. Awarding to W. W. Farrier the contract to furnish and deliver hydrants and valves at prices named in their proposal of July 16, 1895, etc.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

5. Awarding to W. W. Farrier the contract to furnish corporation stop cocks, etc., at prices named in their proposal of July 23, 1895.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

6. Awarding to Duhme & Troll the contract to furnish and deliver hay and feed at prices named in their proposal of July 23, 1895, etc.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

7. Ordering paid the salaries of the Water Registrar and employes in the Water Department for the month of July, 1895, when due, as per payroll, amounting to $3,018.31.

(Adopted July 23d, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid certain claims

(Adopted July 23d, 1895.)

9. That the resolution adopted by this Board, October 18th, 1894, providing for the payment to Maxwell McMasters of the sum of $1,000 for damages in the change of grade of Bergen street, now Vroom street, be and the same is hereby reconsidered and rescinded.

(Adopted July 23d, 1895.)

10. That the preamble adopted October 18th, 1895, be amended by the adoption of a resolution, substituting $800 in place of $1,000 to be paid to Maxwell McMasters, for damages sustained in change of grade of Bergen street, now Vroom street.

(Adopted July 23d, 1895.)

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions be concurred in.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1. That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer

for the sum of two hundred and forty eight dollars in favor of Kate Matthews, the sum being the amount of deposit made by her with the City Clerk upon filing her application for license to keep inn and tavern, June 19, 1895, less expense for advertising as required by law, $2.

(Adopted July 9, 1895.)

2. That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Edward J. Trembly for $248 to refund license fee deposited June 13, 1895, at No. 93 Linden avenue, Seventh ward, said license having been refused.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the votes of all the members of the Board five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The same committee further reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Fixing the salary of Isaac M. Pinkney, carpenter in the pipe yard (vice Michael Collins dismissed) be at the rate of $3 per day when engaged.

(Adopted July 16, 1895.)

2. Fixing the salary of George J. Ackerman, inspector on laying water pipe in Tonnele avenue at the rate of $3 per day when engaged.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

2. Preamble adopted Oct. 18, 1894, relative to the establishing of the grade of a certain street (in the year 1867) by the Board of Aldermen of the City Bergen, which said street was then known as Bergen street, now Vroom street; the subsequent improvement of property by the owners of property on said street, by erecting buildings thereon and making other improvements in conformity with the established grade; the determination on the part of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, that, for the damages sustained by reason of a subsequent change of the grade of said street, Maxwell McMasters is entitled to the sum of $1,000, and the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, July 23, 1895, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance the sum of $800 be paid to said Maxwell McMasters for damages as aforesaid, provided that said Board of Finance provide the fund necessary for such payment, and provided further, that said Maxwell McMasters first file with the City Clerk a satisfaction piece in full of all claims against the city on account of such damages, duly approved by the Corporation Counsel.

4. That a contract be awarded to Vanderbeek & Sons for furnishing and delivering lumber at the prices named in their proposal, submitted to this Board, July 23, 1895, they being the lowest bidder therefor, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

5. Ordering paid the salaries of the Water Registrar and employes in the Water Department for the month of July, 1895, when due, as per pay roll, amounting to $3,018.31.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

6. That a contract be awarded to William W. Farrier for furnishing corporation stop cocks, meters, solder, and lead at the prices named in his proposal, submitted to this Board July 23, 1895, he being the lowest bidder therefor, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

7. That a contract be awarded to W. W. Farrier for furnishing and delivering hydrants and valves at the prices named in his proposal, submitted to this Board July 16, 1895, he being the lowest bidder therefor, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

8. That a contract be awarded to Duhme & Troll for furnishing and delivering hay and feed at the prices named in their proposal, submitted to this Board July 23, 1895, they being the lowest bidders therefor, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

9. Ordering paid the following claims: F. A. Smith, $57.72; J. F. Underhill, $170.11; United Gas Improvement Co., $8.40, $6; J. C. News, $32.50; J. W. Harrison, $3.75; Wm. S. Flynn, $62.60; Evening Journal Association, $20.30; A. Datz, $1.50, $7; W. J. Burns, $4.50; Washburn Bros. Co., $5.62, $9.20; Savage & Callary, $90.85 and Frank McDermott, $19.50.

(Adopted July 23, 1895.)

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account Martin Act):—

John J. Walsh, for serving notices under the "Martin Act," $75.10.

Randolph Perkins, for serving notices under the Martin Act, $29.75.

Kent K. Stearns, for services in preparation and execution of deeds and assignments, under the "Martin Act," $67.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Ditwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account Printing, Stationery &c., 1894-1895.

Albert Datz, for printing and postage stamps (City Comptroller's office), $135.

Charles H. Voorhis, for taxed costs case, James F. Kenny vs. the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, $37.74.

The report was received, and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Simpson moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Monday, July 29th, 1895, at 7 o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By President Jones:—

Whereas, This Board did on this date concur in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners adopted July 23rd, 1895, awarding $800 to Maxwell McMasters, for damages sustained in the changing of the grade of Bergen street, now Vroom street, provided the Board of Finance provide the fund necessary for such payment; therefore

Resolved, That the sum of $800 be and is hereby appropriated to pay the above mentioned award, and in order to raise said sum a temporary loan bond be issued by the Committee on Finance of this Board in the sum of $800 to bear interest at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, and that the amount be placed in the next tax levy.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Isaac Romaine, attorney of Maxwell McMaster, for the sum of $800 to pay the award ordered, by resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, July 23, 1895, to Maxwell McMasters for damages sustained in the changing of the grade of Bergen street, now Vroom street, and that said warrant shall not be delivered by the City Clerk until a proper satisfaction piece in full of all claims against the city, on account of such damage, duly approved by the Corporation Counsel, shall have first been produced.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Faunce & Co., agents of T. Turley, for $7.93 for duplicate payment of Water Rents for 1895, on Lot D, Block 663, No. 38 Kearny avenue, paid July 18, 1895, being duplicate of payment made July 10, 1895,

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the CityTreasurer in favor of D. W. Lawrence & Co., for $9.50, for duplicate payment of Water Rents for 1895, on Lot 185, Block 634, No. 65 Skillman avenue, paid June 27, 1895, being duplicate of payment made June 27, 1895.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Frank J. Mathews for $76.40 for duplicate payment of taxes for 1893 on Lots 25, 26, 27 and 28, Block 188 Sixteenth street, paid July 22, 1895, as adjusted in report No. 100, being duplicate of payment made July 18, 1895.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of J. W. Bissell, attorney of Charles Birdsall for $82.37 to pay judgment and cost in action Charles Birdsall vs The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City rendered in First District Court of Jersey City, and that said warrant shall not be delivered by the City Clerk, except upon the production of a proper satisfaction piece.

ByMr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the City Collector is hereby directed to transfer the folowing payments made in error for taxes on Lot North ½7 Block 951 Cliff street, to Lot North ½10 block 951, Cliff street for the same years:—

Year 1892—Tax, $22.72; rebate, 3c.; total, $22.69.

Year 1893—Tax, $22.00; rebate, 14c.; total, $21.86.

Year 1894—Tax, $22.00.

Said taxes having been paid respectively, December 15, 1892, December 1, 1893, and January 8, 1895, these transfers of payments to be made, provided no

transfer of the property has been made since the date of the above-named payments, and no encumbrances or liens have been placed on the same.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, Monday, July 29, 1895, at seven o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—4.

Absent—Mr. Hardenbergh—1.

The Board then took a recess to further consider the estimates and appropriations from the several Boards.

Upon the re-assembling of the Board the same members were present as at roll call.

Mr. Simpson moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Tuesday, July 30, 1895, at seven o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Tuesday, July 30, 1895, at 7 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—4.

Absent—Mr. Hardenbergh—1.

After roll call, on motion of Mr. Bailey, the Board took a recess for the further consideration of the estimates of appropriations from the several boards.

Upon the re-assembling of the Board the same members were present as at roll call.

PETITONS, ETC.

A communication was received from the Police Mutual Aid Society enclosing tickets for their excursion for August 5, 1895.

Received and ordered filed.

The following petitions were presented and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of Martin Albrecht for the transfer of certain payments of taxes.

Of Charles H. Wilcox to return certain duplicate payments for water rents.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

J. W. Harrison, $36.55, $14.25, $37 and $11.30 (duplicate of bills presented to Street and Water Board and unpaid).

Vanderbeek & Sons, $85.74 (duplicate of claim July 12, 1893).

J. Herbert Potts, $186; James F. Norton, $124; Frederick Ford, $20; Peter Golden, $20.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims, (chargeable to account Fees received from Criminal Courts).

J. Herbert Potts, fees as Judge First Criminal Court for month of July 1895, $186.00.

James F. Norton, fees as Clerk First Criminal Court for month of July 1895, $124.00.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Hardenbergh—1.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$20 to Frederick Ford for Jersey City directories furnished the Board of Finance and other offices.

$20 to Peter Golden for extra services rendered the City Clerk and City Comptroller from July 10, 1895, to July 29, 1895 (both inclusive).

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Hardenbergh—1.

Under a suspension of the rules, the following resolutions were presented and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Hardenbergh—1.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it be to meet again, upon the call of the President or at the request of three members of the Board, and that no regular meetings shall be held on the regular meeting days, August 1 and 15, 1895.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 146 of the Laws of 1895, one half of the license fees received by the city from July 1, 1895, to July 1, 1896, for licenses to sell spiritous or malt liquors, be and the same is hereby appropriated and set apart for the repaving, repairing and improving of paved streets, and city thoroughfares and the reconstruction of sewers and for no other purpose.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $115,000, to transfer said amount from liquor license account to special street account to enable the city officers to properly carry out the provisions of a certain resolution heretofore passed by this Board, appropriating 50 per cent. of the liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1895, under Chapter 146 of the Laws of 1895.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Sinking Fund Commision for the sum of $57,500 on account of 25 per cent. of the liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1895, and now due said Commission.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $57,500, on account of the 25 per cent. of liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1895, the same to be credited to the special school account of the Board of Street and Water Commisioners for the construction and furnishing buildings for the public school department of the city and for no other purpose, in accordance with Section 29 of Chapter 127 of the Laws of 1889.

By President Jones:—

Whereas, By an act of Legislature

passed during the session of 1895. cities of the first class are authorized to use a portion of its "License Fund," appropriated to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for the reconstruction of sewers; and

Whereas. The Board of Street and Water Commissioners have called the attention of this Board to the necessity of reconstructing the sewers in Bay street, Gregory street and Third street, and the building of steps on Laidlaw avenue, therefore be it

Resolved. That this Board recommend to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, that proposals be advertised for, for the reconstruction of the sewers and building of steps on Laidlaw avenue mentioned in the forgoing preamble, payment to be made from the "License Money" appropriated to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners after July 1, 1895.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved. That a temporary loan bond be issued by the Committee on Finance of this Board in the sum of $1,359.84 to bear interest at the rate of 4½ per centum per annum. and that the said sum be placed in the next tax ley, and further

Resolved, that the amount of $1,359.84, be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the following claims incurred:—

Vanderbeek & Sons, $85.74, for materials furnished (during years 1889, 1892 and 1893) to the Engineering Department of the Street and Water Commissioners; John W. Harrison, $36.55, $14.25, $37.00 and $11.30 for supplies furnished the Street and Water Commissioners during the year 1893; Maxwell McMasters, $800.00 for damages sustained in the change of grade of Vroom street formerly Bergen street, awarded by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and concurred in by the Board of Finance July 25, 1895, and Van Houten Post No. 3, G. A. R., $375.00 for the re-construction of the soldiers' monument in the burial plot in the New York Bay Cemetery owned by Jersey City.

The Committee of the Whole made the following report, and the same was received and the recommendations therein contained were adopted at 9.15 o'clock P. M., by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Hardenbergh—1.

Jersey City, July 30, 1895,
9.15 o'clock P. M.

Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole to whom were referred the estimates and recommendations of all the Boards of Jersey City, including the appropriations from this Board, respectfully report and recommend that the amounts proper and necessary to be raised by tax during the current year, for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 1895, and ending November 30, 1896, be fixed at one million seven hundred and fifty-two thousand five hundred and seventy-eight dollars and sixteen cents ($1,752,578.16) as the appropriation and limit of expenditure for the purpose of the several Boards, except where by law it may be otherwise provided; the above amount taking into consideration the money to be paid to Jersey City by the State for school purposes and the money to be paid to Jersey City under the act approved April 10, 1884, and one-ninth (1-9) to be added, as required by the act of March 27, 1884, the Committee recommends distributed among the several Boards in the following manner as the limit of expenditures of the said Board for the purpose and in the manner mentioned, viz:—

BOARD OF STREET AND WATER COMMISSIONERS.

For payment of such contractor or contractors as shall be awarded contracts for cleaning the streets, including cleaning of asphalt streets and removing the garbage of Jersey City during the fiscal year, commencing December 1, 1895, this appropriation is made for payments under such contracts as shall be approved by the Mayor and Board of Finance, and no portion thereof shall be used or expended for any purpose whatever, nor shall any charge be credited against this item for work done or materials furnished, unless the same shall be done or furnished in accordance with specifications prepared by the Chief Engineer and approved by the Mayor and the Board of Finance—Forty thousand dollars ($40,000.00).

For cleaning sewers and receiving basins, the Board of Finance reserving the right at any time to have the sewers and receiving basins of this city cleaned by contract or contracts, to be approved by the Mayor and Board of Finance, in which event no portion of this appropriation shall be used or expended for any other purposes whatever, nor shall any charge be created thereafter against this item for work thereafter done unless the same shall be done or furnished in accordance with the specifications prepared by the Chief Engineer and approved by the Mayor and Board of Finance, including salaries..... $12,750 00

Public Grounds and Buildings, including salaries..... 2,500 00

Printing and Stationery..... 2,000 00

Repairs to unpaved streets; also including maintenance of Macadam pavement, and salaries. See schedule..... 5,000 00

Re-construction of sewers..... 4,000 00

Street lighting, including $1,200 for salary of Lamp Inspector 110,000 00

District Court rentals..... 2.100 00

Armory salaries, (including the payment of additional help).	1,500 00
Engineering Bureau, (including salaries and supplies), see schedule	14,000 00
Insurance	1,250 00
Salaries (see schedule)	15,250 00
Laws and ordinances and advertising fund to publish ordinances	500 00
Street signs on corners	3,000 00
Repairing and extending Morgan street dock	13,000 00
Making the total amount to be expended by said Board of Street and Water Commissioners, during the ensuing fiscal year to be	226,850 00

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Relief of out door poor	$6,000 00
Gas and Fuel for Fourth Regiment Armory	2,500 00
Salaries (see schedule)	11,600 00
District Court salaries and printing; stationery and supplies (salaries, $9,700; printing, $700) see schedule	10,400 00
Care of horse of Building inspector, including repairs to wagon and harness	350 00
Printing, stationery and supplies	2,000 00
Decoration Day	200 00
Elections	18,500 00
Insurance and repairs on City Hall	250 00
Light and heat at City Hall	750 00
For elections to provide for deficiencies in fiscal years 1893-1894	3,271 44
Making the total appropriation to be expended by said Board of Aldermen during the ensuing fiscal year to be	$55,821 44

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

Salaries (see schedules)	$339,384 00
Fuel	2,700 00
Feed of horses	2,500 00
Feed of prisoners	2,500 00
Photographs of prisoners	250 00
Incidentals for Chief	500 00
Supplies for station houses	2,500 00
Department repairs and incidentals	2,500 00
Telephones for signal system	1,230 00
Maintenance of signal system.	1,300 00
Three (3) horses for mounted service	500 00
Lighting station houses	4,800 00
Hospitals and dispensaries	20,000 00
Printing and stationery	1,800 00
Police Justices, $5,000, and clerks to police courts, $2,400	7,400 00
Rentals	720 00
Pensions	12,592 00
Extension of signal system, Fifth Precinct	2,500 00
Making the total sum to be expended by the said Board of Police Commissioners during the ensuing fiscal year to be	405,676 00

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS.

Salaries (see schedule)	$ 129,000 00
Claims	18,000 00
New fire hose, to stand 400 pounds test	4,000 00
Pensions (see schedule)	1,950 00
Repairs to Department Buildings	2,500 00
Repairs to apparatus	3,000 00
To rebuild Fire Department Headquarters	3,500 00
Making the total sum to be expended by the said Board of Fire Commissioners during the ensuing fiscal year to be	161,950 00

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Teachers' salaries (see schedule)	307,790 00
Superintendent and Clerk	5,000 00
Janitors' salaries (see schedule)	20,500 00
Janitors' supplies	2,500 00
Printing and blanks, including annual report	2,000 00
Books, stationery and supplies	14,000 00
Fuel	16,000 00
Night schools and books and stationery for same	$6,000 00
Census	3,500 00
Gas	1,000 00
Repairing school buildings, including salary of a carpenter.	2,500 00
Making the total sum to be expended by said Board of Education, during the ensuing fiscal year, to be	$380,790 00

BOARD OF TAX COMMISSIONERS.

Salaries (the extra clerks to assist the City Collector in making out tax bills)	$15,000 00
Printing, stationery and supplies and field assessment and record books	1,400 00
Incidentals	200 00
Preparing record books	1,000 00
Making the total sum to be expended by said Board of Tax Commissioners during the ensuing fiscal year to be	$17,600 00

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF APPEALS IN CASES OF TAXATION.

Salaries	$3,600 00
Stationery and incidentals	150 00
Making the total sum to be expended by the said Board of Commissioners of Appeals in cases of Taxation during the ensuing fiscal year to be	$3,750 00

SINKING FUND COMMISSION.

Salaries	$1,800 00
Incidentals	100 00
Making the total sum to be expended by the said Sink-	

ing Fund Commission during the ensuing fiscal year to be	$1,900 00
COMMISSIONERS OF ASSESSMENT.	
Printing and stationery.....	$200 00
Making the total sum to be expended by the said Commissioners of Assessment during the ensuing fiscal year to be	$200 00
BOARD OF FINANCE.	
Salaries (see schedules).....	$59.700 00
For publishing minutes in official papers.....	8,250 00
Printing, stationery and supplies.....	8,000 00
Free Public Library.....	29,405 27
Interest on general and assessment bonds.....	557,986 46
Interest on sundry bonds.....	2,121 89
Interest on bonds, 1894 and 1895.....	348 66
For sinking fund..	104,000 00
For bonds due 1895 and 1896....	47,123 11
Expenses new City Hall Commission.....	15,000 00
Making the total sum to be expended by the said Board of Finance during the ensuing fiscal year, to be....	$831,935 39
RECAPITULATION.	
Board of Street and Water Commissioners....	$226,850 00
Board of Aldermen.....	55,821 44
Board of Police Commissioners.....	405,676 00
Board of Fire Commissioners.	161,950 00
Board of Education.....	380,790 00
Board of Tax Commissioners..	17,600 00
Board of Commissioners of Appeals.....	3,750 00
Sinking Fund Commission.....	1,900 00
Commissioners of Assessment.	200 00
Board of Finance.....	831,935 39
Total..... ....$2,086,472 83	
Less amount to be received from the State, for schools..	283,152 49
	$1,803,320 34
Less amount to be received under "An act for the taxation of railroad and canal property," approved April 10, 1884, the same to be first applied to the payment of the city debt, and interest following due thereon....	226,000 00
Total being the amount fixed to be raised in Jersey City for all city purposes by taxation, during the ensuing fiscal year..... ....$1,577,320 34	
Add one-ninth (1-9) in conformity with the provisions of "An act concerning cities of this State," approved March 27, 1884....	175,257 82
	$1,752,578 16
Add Jersey City's percentage of County tax..	466,196 80
Add Jersey City's percentage of State School tax..	246,469 23
Total Tax Levy.....	$2,465,244 19
SCHEDULES.	
Salaries to be paid out of appropriations to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—	
Five (5) Commissioners @ $2,000 each	10,000 00
Clerk of Board..	3,000 00
Assistant Clerk of Board....	1,500 00
One stenographer and typewriter	750 00
Total....	$15,250 00
Repairs to unpaved streets:—	
Two (2) men @ $60 per month; four (4) men @ $50 per month; all eight (8) months in the year	$2,560 00
Engineering Bureau:—	
Chief Engineer..	$3,500 00
1 Surveyor	2,400 00
1 Surveyor.....	1,200 00
1 Draughtsman..	1,500 00
1 Assistant Assessment Clerk..	1,200 00
Clerk to Chief Engineer	900 00
2 Rodmen @ $900 each	1,800 00
1 Chainman..	840 00
Supplies	660 00
Total	$14,000 00
Salaries to be paid out of appropriations to the Board of Aldermen.	
District Courts:—	
Two (2) judges @ $3,000 each.....	$6,000 00
Two (2) clerks @ $1,500 each	3,000 00
Two (2) constables @ $350 each.	700 00
Printing, stationery and supplies.....	700 00
Total	$10,400 00
Officials:—	
City Clerk..	$5,000 00
Overseer of the Poor.....	1,600 00
Assistant to Overseer of the Poor....	1,000 00
City Marshal.....	1,500 00
Inspector of Buildings.....	1,500 00
Inspector of Scales, Weights and Measures.....	1,000 00
Total	$11,600 00
Salaries to be paid out of appropriation to the Board of Police Commissioners:—	
Three Commissioners at $1,000 each	$3,000 00
Clerk of Board.....	1,600 00
Chief of Police.....	3,000 00
Inspector of Police.....	2,300 00
Seven Captains @ $2,000 each...	14,000 00
One Surgeon.....	1,500 00
Superintendent of Patrol signal system.....	1,200 00
Thirty-one Sergeants @ $1,200 each	37,200 00

Thirteen detectives @ $1,200 each	15,600 00
Fourteen Roundsmen @ $1,050 each	14,700 00
Two hundred and twenty patrolmen at $1,000 each	220,000 00
Seven doormen @ $1,000 each.	7,000 00
One van driver	1,000 00
One lineman	720 00
One stableman	720 00
7 janitrix, @ $360 each	2,520 00
1 matron in woman's prison	540 00
Total	$326,600 00
Police Courts:—	
Two (2) Police Justices, @ $2,500 each	5,000 00
Two (2) Clerks of Courts, @ $1,200 each	2,400 00
Total	$7,400 00
Hospital:—	
1 warden	$1,500 00
1 matron	400 00
1 druggist	840 00
2 cooks, @ $240 each	480 00
1 assistant cook	168 00
1 surgical nurse	420 00
1 medical nurse	336 00
2 night nurses, @ $300 each	600 00
1 orderly	240 00
1 orderly	120 00
1 head day nurse	420 00
3 trained nurses, @ $360 each	1,080 00
1 assistant nurse	300 00
2 laundresses @ $216 each	432 00
1 servant	168 00
1 scrub woman	120 00
2 ambulance drivers, @ $480 each	960 00
1 watchman	600 00
Health Inspector	1,200 00
Six City Physicians @ $400 each	2,400 00
Total	$12,784 00
Salaries to be paid out of appropriations to the Board of Fire Commissioners:—	
Three Commissioners @ $1,000 each	$3,000 00
Clerk of Board	2,000 00
Chief Engineer	2,500 00
Assistant Engineer	2,000 00
Two Battalion Chiefs @ $1,500 each	3,000 00
Inspector of Horses	800 00
Superintendent of Telegraph	1,500 00
Five telegraph linemen @ $1,000 each	5,000 00
Fourteen engineers @ $1,100 each	15,400 00
Fourteen stokers @ $1,000 each.	14,000 00
Fourteen steamer drivers @ $1,000 each	14,000 00
Fourteen tender drivers @ $1,000 each	14,000 00
Fourteen permanent hosemen @ $950 each	13,300 00
Five tillermen @ $1,000 each.	5,000 00
Five truck drivers @ $1,000 each	5,000 00
Ten permanent truckmen @ $950 each	9,500 00
Nineteen foremen @ $300 each	5,700 00
One hundred and thirty-three men at call @ $100 each	13,300 00
Total	$129,000 00
Pensions:—	
Mrs. Agnes Farrier	666 67
Mrs. Louisa Dinan	283 33
Mrs. Catherine Guilton	500 00
For the purpose of retiring Mathew Bligh, stoker of Engine Co. No. 1 on half pay "by reason of incapacity" in accordance with Chapter 367 Laws of 1895	500 00
Total	$1,950 00
Salaries to be paid out of appropriations to the Board of Education:—	
Janitors:—	
School No. 1	$900 00
School No. 2	1,000 00
School No. 3	900 00
School No. 3 Annex	450 00
School No. 4	900 00
School No 5	1,200 00
School No. 6	900 00
School No. 7	900 00
School No. 8	900 00
School No. 10	500 00
School No. 11	900 00
School No. 11 Annex	450 00
School No. 12	950 00
School No. 13	780 00
School No. 14	900 00
School No. 15	1,000 00
School No. 16	500 00
School No. 17	480 00
School No. 19	480 00
School No. 20	900 00
School No. 21	900 00
School No. 22	900 00
School No. 23	900 00
School No. 24	900 00
School No. 25	1,000 00
Total	$20,490 00
Teachers:—	
Amount of payrolls classified as follows:—	
High School	$17,050 00
Primary Department	7,156 00
Special Primary School Instructors,	1,950 00
Supervisor of Drawing	2,000 00
Grammar Department	113,324 00
Primary Department	160,996 00 $302,476 00
Increase due to promotion	5,314 00
Total	$307,790 00
Salary account by schools (June 1, 1895):—	
High School	$19,050 00
Training	9,106 00
School No. 1	17,156 00
School No. 2	19,806 00

School No. 3....	11,782 00
School No. 3 Annex..	1,912 00
School No. 4.....	14,470 00
School No. 6.....	18.862 00
School No. 7....	16,006 00
School No. 8.....	17,206 00
School No. 10....	5,232 00
School No. 11....	12,430 00
School No. 11 Annex.....	2,096 00
School No. 12....	13,990 00
School No. 13..	6,712 00
School No. 14..	11,246 00
School No. 15....	10,206 00
School No. 16..., ...	4,736 00
School No. 17.....	3,464 00
School No. 19....	3,712 00
School No. 20....	13,654 00
School No. 21..	15,958 00
School No. 22....	14,214 00
School No. 23....	13,614 00
School No. 24..	11,798 00
School No. 25....	14,058 00
	$302,476 00

Salaries to be paid out of appropriations to the Board of Finance:—

Five members of the Board @ $500 each	$2,500 00
Clerk of Board....	1,800 00
Assistant to Clerk of Board..	1,000 00
Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes....	1,200 00
Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk..	3,000 00
Draughtsman to Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk ..	1,500 00
	$11,000 00

Mayor's Office:—

Mayor.....	$5,000 00
Secretary to Mayor.....	1,500 00
Clerk to Mayor.....	900 00
	$7,400 00

City Comptroller's Office:—

City Comptroller..	$3,000 00
Deputy City Comptroller.... ..	1,500 00
One Clerk....	1,200 00
One Clerk..	1,000 00
	$6,700 00

City Treasurer's Office:—

City Treasurer....	$3,000 00
Deputy City Treasurer..	1,500 00
	$4,500 00

City Collector's Office:—

City Collector.....	$3,000 00
Deputy City Collector....	1,500 00
Six (6) clerks @ $1,200 each	7,200 00
One messenger....	720 00
	$12,420 00

City Clerk's Office:—

Three clerks @ $1,500 each....	$4,500 00
Two clerks @ $1,200 each	2,400 00
	$6,900 00

Law Department:—

Corporation Counsel..	$5,000 00
Corporation Attorney	3,500 00
	$8,500 00

Cleaning Department and attendance to heaters, &c.:—

Five women, cleaning rooms @ $360 each	$1,800 00
One attendant to heaters, &c.	480 00
	$2,280 00

INTEREST ON GENERAL ACCOUNT BONDS.

Interest due December, 1895:—	
3 per cent. on $450,000, to pay Maturing Bonds, due June 1, 1910..	$13,500 00
Interest due January, 1896:—	
2 per cent. on $5,000, Police Headquarters Bonds, due January 1, 1896..	$100 00
2 per cent on $5,000, Police Headquarters Bonds, due January 1, 1897..	100 00
2 per cent. on $7,000, Engine House No. 1 Bond, due January 1, 1897..	140 00
2 per cent. on $5,000, Police Headquarter's Bonds, due January 1, 1898.....	100 00
3½ per cent. on $50,000, Public School Bonds, due July 1, 1898.....	1,750 00
2 per cent. on $5,000, Police Headquarter's Bonds, due January 1, 1899.....	100 00
2½ per cent. on $10,900, Police Department Building Bonds, due January 1, 1899.....	272 50
3½ per cent. on $100,000, Public School Bonds, due January 1, 1900.....	3,500 00
2½ per cent. on $9,000, Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1900.....	225 00
2 per cent. on $5,000 Police Headquarter's Bonds, due January 1, 1900.....	100 00
3½ per cent. on $50,000, Public School Bonds, due April 2, 1900.....	1,750 00
3½ per cent. on $125,000, Morgan Street Dock Bonds, due June 8, 1900....	4,375 00
2 per cent. on $5,000, Police Headquarter's Bonds, due January 1, 1901....	100 00
2¼ per cent. on $8,000, Engine House Bonds, due July 24, 1901.....	180 00
2 per cent. on $5,000, Police Headquarter's Bonds, due January 1, 1902....	100 00
2¼ per cent. on $5,000, Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1905....	112 50
2¼ per cent. on $5,000, Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1906....	112 50
3½ per cent. on $60,000, Improvement Bonds, due January 3, 1906....	2,100 00

2¼ per cent. on $5,100, Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1907..... 114 75
2½ per cent. on $20,000, Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1909..... 500 00
2½ per cent. on $200,000, City Hall Gold Bonds, due 1913 to 1922..... 5,000 00
3½ per cent. on $550,000, City Government Bonds, due July 1, 1913..... 19,250 00
2½ per cent. on $200,000, Renew Maturing Bonds, due January 2, 1922..... 5,000 00
2½ per cent. on $350,000, City Hall Gold Bonds, due January 1, 1923.. .. .. 8,750 00

$53,832 25

Interest due February, 1896:—
2½ per cent. on $170,000, City Hall Bonds, due 1896 to 1912.. $4,250 00
3 per cent on $1,353,000, to Fund Floating Debt Bonds, due February 1, 1909.... ..... 40,590 00

$44,840 00

Interest due March, 1896:—
2¼ per cent. on $3,000, Engine House Bonds, due September 10, 1902.. .. .. $180 00
Interest due April, 1896:—
2¼ on $5,000, Police Department Building Bonds, due October 1, 1903.... ... . $112 50
3 per cent. on $1,000,000, City of Jersey City Bonds, due April 1, 1904.... .... 30,000 00
2¼ per cent. on $5,000, Police Department Building Bonds, due October 1, 1904.... .... .. 112 50
2½ per cent. on $150,000, difference between old and new Assessments, due April 1, 1911..... .... 3,750 00

$33,975 00

Interest due May, 1896:—
3½ per cent. on $500,000, Funded Debt Bonds, due May, 1, 1897... .... $17,500 00
2½ per cent. on $36,639, Joint Outlet Sewer Bonds, due May 1, 1897.... .... 915 98

$18,415 98

Interest due June, 1896:—
3 per cent. on $450,000, to pay maturing bonds, due June 1, 1910.... .... $13,500 00
Interest due July, 1896:—
2 per cent. on $5,000, Police Headquarter's Bonds, due January 1, 1897..... .... $100 00
2 per cent on $7,000, Engine House No. 1 Bonds, due January 1, 1897.... .... 140 00
2 per cent. on $5,000, Police Headquarter's Bonds, due January 1, 1898.... .... 100 00
3½ per cent. on $50,000, Public School Bonds, due July 1, 1898..... .... 1,750 00
2 per cent. on $5,000, Police Headquarter's Bonds, due January 1, 1899..... ..... $100 00
2½ per cent. on $10,900, Police Department Building Bonds, due January 1, 1899,.... .. .. 272 50
3½ per cent. on $100,000 Public School Bonds, due January 1, 1900..... .... 3,500 00
2½ per cent on $9,000, Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1900..... 225 00
2 per cent. on $5,000 Police Headquarters Bonds, due January 1, 1900.. .. .. 100 00
3½ per cent. on $50,000 Public School Bonds, due April 2, 1900.... .. .. 1,750 00
3½ per cent. on $125,000 Morgan Street Dock Bonds, due June 8, 1900.... .. .. 4,375 00
2 per cent. on $5,000 Police Headquarters Bonds, due January 1, 1901.... .... 100 00
2¼ per cent. on $8,000 Engine House Bonds, due July 24, 1901.. .. .. 180 00
2 per cent. on $5,000 Police Headquarters Bonds, due January 1, 1902.. .. .. 100 00
2¼ per cent. on $5,000 Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1895.. .. .. 112 50
2¼ per cent. on $5,000 Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1905.. .. .... 112 50
3½ per cent. on $60,000 Improvement Bonds, due January 3, 1906 .. .. 2,100 00
2¼ per cent. on $5,100 Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1907.. .. .. 114 75
2½ per cent. on $20,000 Police Department Buildings Bonds, due January 1, 1909 .. .... 500 00
2½ per cent on $200,000 City Hall Gold Bonds, due 1913 to 1922.... .. .. 5,000 00
2½ per cent. on $550,000 City Government Bonds, due July 1, 1913.... .. .. 19,250 00
2½ per cent on $200,000 Renew Maturing Bonds, due January 2, 1922.. .. .. 5,000 00
2½ per cent. on $350,000 City Hall Gold Bonds, due January 1, 1923.. .. .. 8,750 00

$53,732 25

Interest due August, 1896:—
2½ per cent. on $160,000 City Hall Bonds, due 1897 to 1912. $4,000 00
3 per cent on $1,353,000 to Fund Floating Debt Bonds, due February 1, 1909 .. .. 40,590 00

$44,590 00

Interest due September, 1896:—
2¼ per cent. on $8,000 En-

gine House Bonds, due September 10, 1902.. .. .. $180 00
Interest due October, 1896:—
2¼ per cent. on $5,000, Police Department buildings bonds, due October 1, 1904.... .... .. 112 50
3 per cent. on $1,000,000, city of Jersey City bonds, due April 1, 1904..... .... 30,000 00
2¼ per cent. on $5,000, Police Department buildings bonds, due October 1, 1904.... ..... 112 50
2½ per cent on $150,000, difference getween old and new assessment bonds, due April 1, 1911..... .... 3,750 00

$33,975 00

Interest due November, 1896:—
3½ per cent. on $500,000, funded debt bonds, due May 1, 1897.. $17,500 00
2½ per cent. on $36,639, joint outlet sewer bonds, due May 1, 1897.... .... 915 98

$18,415 98

INTEREST ON ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT BONDS.

Interest due December, 1895:—
3½ per cent. on $600,000, to fund assessment bonds,due June 1, 1905..... .... $21,000 00
Interest due January, 1896:—
3½ per cent.on $300,000, to Fund Assessment Bonds, due January 1, 1906.... ..... $10,500 00
2½ per cent on $548,000,to renew maturing assessment bonds, due January 2, 1922..... 13,700 00

$24,200 00

Interest due March, 1896:—
2½ per cent. on $700,000, Assessment Gold Bonds (to renew maturing Assessment Bonds), due September 1, 1923..... $17,500 00
Interest due, April, 1896:—
2½ per cent. on $1,469,000, to renew maturing Assessment Bonds, due April 1, 1916.... 36,725 00
Interest due, May, 1896:—
2½ per cent. on $600,000, Assessment Gold Bonds (to renew maturing Assessment Bonds) due May 1, 1924..... $15,000 00
Interest due June, 1896:—
3½ per cent. on $600,000 to Fund Assessment Bonds, due June 1, 1905.. .. .. $21,000 00
Interest due July, 1896:—
3½ per cent. on $300,000 to Fund Assessment Bonds, due January 1, 1906.. .. .. $10,500 00
2½ per cent. on $548,000 to Renew Maturing Assessment Bonds, due January 2, 1922. 13,700 00

$24,200 00

Interest due September, 1896:—
2½ per cent. on $700,000 Assessment Gold Bonds (to renew maturing Assessment Bonds), due September 1, 1923.. .. .. $17,500 00
Interest due October, 1896:—
2½ per cent. on $1,469,000, to Renew Maturing Bonds, due April 1, 1916.. .. .. $36,725 00
Interest due November, 1896:—
2½ per cent. on $600,000 Assessment Gold Bonds (to renew maturing Assessment Bonds), due May 1, 1924 .. .. $15,000 00

RECAPITULATION, 1895-1896.

Month.	General.	Assessment.
December, 1895	$13,500 00	$21,000 00
January, 1896	53,832 25	24,200 00
February, 1896.. ...	44,840 00	
March, 1896..	180 00	17,500 00
April, 1896	33,975 00	36,725 00
May, 1896	18,415 98	15,000 00
June, 1896..	13,500 00	21,000 00
July, 1896..	53,732 25	24,200 00
August, 1896	44,590 00	
September, 1896	180 00	17,500 00
October, 1896	33,975 00	36,725 00
November, 1896	18,415 98	15,000 00
	$329,136 46	$228,850 00
Total General Interest..		329,136 46
Total Assessment Interest		228,850 00
		$557,986 46

Interest on General and Assessment Account Bonds, 1894 and 1895. Paid and to be paid as follows:

December, 1894....	$34,500 00
January, 1895....	78,762 25
February, 1895.....	45,230 00
March, 1895....	17,668 66
April, 1895....	70,700 00
May, 1895....	33,415 98
June. 1895.....	34,500 00
July, 1895....	78,032 25
August, 1895.....	44,999 95
September, 1895.....	17,680 00
October, 1895....	70,700 00
November, 1895.....	33,415 98
	$559,605 07
Amount appropriated in Tax Levy, 1894-1895.....	559,256 41
To be provided for in Tax Levy, 1895-1896.....	$348 66

FOR SINKING FUND PURPOSES.
1895-1896.

To pay $7,000, Engine House No. 1 Bonds, due January 1, 1897, act February 25, 1889..	1,000 00
To pay $8,000, Fire Department Building Bonds, due July 24, 1901, act March 9, 1893, resolution May 23, 1893....	1,000 00
To pay $8,000, Fire Department Building Bonds, due September 10, 1902, act March 9, 1893, resolution August 27, 1894....	1,000 00
To pay $450,000, 6 per cent. Bonds, due June 1, 1910, being	

3 per cent. of amount, act February 18, 1889....	13,500 00
To pay $150,000, 5 per cent. Bonds, due April 1, 1911, being 3 per cent. of amount, act March 3, 1881..	4,500 00
To pay $525,000, 5 per cent. Water Bonds, due February 1, 1913, act January 30, 1883.. ..	12,000 00
To pay $548,000, 5 per cent. Assessment Bonds, and $200,000 5 per cent. General Bonds, due January 2, 1922, act June 9, 1890....	15,000 00
To pay $700,000 5 per cent. Assessment (gold) Bonds, due September 1, 1923, act March 16, 1893, resolution August 17, 1893.....	14,000 00
To pay $600,000 5 per cent. Assessment (gold) Bonds, due May 1, 1924, act March 16, 1893, resolution April 12, 1894 .	12,000 00
To pay $1,000,000 6 per cent. Bonds, due April 1, 1904, act February 21, 1884, resolution April 7, 1884....	30,000 00
	$104,000 00

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS, 1894-1895.

Interest to December 1, 1894, on 4½ per cent. Temporary Loan Bonds, due December 1, 1894....	$1,191 89
Interest to December 31, 1894, on 4½ per cent. Temporary Loan Bonds, due December 1, 1895....	349 47
Interest to June 30, 1895, on 4½ per cent. Temporary Loan Bonds, due December 1, 1895.....	582 50
	$2,123 86
Less accrued interest received on $8,000 4½ per cent. Engine House Bonds, due September 10, 1902..	1 97
	$2,121 89

FOR PAYMENT OF BONDS FALLING DUE 1895-1896.

4 per cent. Police Headquarters' Bonds, due January 1, 1896.....	$5,000 00
5 per cent. New City Hall Bonds, due February 10, 1896.	10,000 00
4½ per cent. Temporary Loan Bonds, due December 1, 1895:—	
Repairs to Public School Buildings	19,605 00
Claim Vanderbeek & Sons....	85 74
Claim J. W. Harrison....	99 10
Claim Maxwell McMaster.....	800 00
Altering Soldiers' Monument..	375 00
Cleaning Sewers..	3,000 00
Special claims, repairs to schools	1,124 92
Rent of Armories	653 33
Relief of Out Door Poor	1,500 00
Judgments (Daly)	154 88
Judgments (Walsh)	204 61
Judgments (Meehan)	1,067 20
Judgments (Douglass)	3,046 46
Judgments (McDermott, Reen & Moser)	401 93
	$47,123 11

Your Committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the report and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole, as to the appropriations of the several Boards of Jersey City, and the amount necessary to be raised by tax in Jersey City during the current year for the purposes of city government, for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 1895, and ending November 30, 1896, be and the same are hereby received and adopted and in conformity therewith the Board of Finance, having duly considered the estimates and recommendations of the several Boards, do hereby fix the amount to be raised by tax in Jersey City during the present year, for the purposes of the said Board, for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 1895, and ending November 30, 1896 (both days inclusive), at the sum of $1,752,578.16 (one million seven hundred and fifty-two thousand five hundred and seventy-eight and 16-100 dollars), and that sum, together with the amount to be raised by the State to Jersey City for schools, and together with the amount to be paid Jersey City, under the provisions of an act, entitled "An act for the taxation of railroad and canal property," approved April 10, 1884, is hereby distributed among the several Boards, as recommended as to amounts by the Committee of the Whole, and the amounts thus fixed shall be the appropriations and limits of expenditure for the said purposes during the ensuing fiscal year.

Signed:—

JOHN M. JONES,
JAMES S. BAILEY,
JACOB J. DETWILLER,
REUBEN SIMPSON,
J. W. HARDENBERGH,
Committee of the Whole.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, Thursday, August 8, 1895, at five o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

In the absence of Clerk Martin Finck, Winfield C. Dunn was elected clerk pro tempore.

The call for the special meeting, issued by the President, was for the transaction of "General Business."

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of Mary A. Daly for the return of $52.85, duplicate payment of taxes for 1892, on Lot 29, Block 497, No. 258 Halliday street.

Of Thomas E. Collins, for the return of $37.96, duplicate payment of taxes for year 1894 on Lot W½14, Block 1,421, No. 59 Pearsall avenue.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Andrew J. Boyle, $66; Chronicle Publishing Co., $5; W. P. Douglass, $99; Jersey City News, $20; Peter Dafeldecker, $22.50, and James Atchison $11.50.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Resolutions adopted August 6, 1895, by the Board of Aldermen in regard to new water supply.

Received and ordered filed.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of this Board were received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters for the month of July, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $540.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

2. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service, for the month of July, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $4,452.39.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid the salaries of the General Superintendent, etc., in the Water Department for the month of July, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $1,449.50.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

4. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers, laying and repairing water pipe, for the month of July, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $2,808.25.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

5. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted July 30, 1895.)

6. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted July 30, 1895.)

7. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

8. That the contract for furnishing and delivering steam and water fittings be awarded to William H. Blackshaw at the prices named in his bid submitted to this Board July 30, 1895, he being the lowest bidder for the same, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

9. That the contract for furnishing and delivering cement and brick be awarded to D. D. Clark at the prices named in his proposal submitted to this Board July 30, 1895, he being the lowest bidder for the same, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

10. That the contract for furnishing and delivering paints, lead, etc., be awarded to Wood & Menagh at the prices named in their proposal, submitted to this Board July 30, 1895, they being the lowest bidders for the same, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

11. That the contract for furnishing and delivering coal, coke and wood be awarded to Horace Macbride at the prices named in his proposal submitted to this Board July 30, 1895, he being the lowest bidder for the same, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895,)

12. That the contract for furnishing and delivering cast iron water pipe be awarded to John Fox at the prices named in his proposal, submitted to this Board August 6, 1895, he being the lowest bidder for the same, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

13. That the contract for furnishing various supplies be awarded to W. W. Farrier at the prices named in his proposal, submitted to this Board July 30, 1895, he being the lowest bidder, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

14. That the contract for laying water pipe be awarded to John Hopkins at the prices named in his proposal submitted to this Board August 6, 1895, he being the lowest bidder for the same, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

15. That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance the report of

the Committee on Streets and Sewers upon the application in writing of C. C. Van Reypen and others, presented to this Board on the 2d day of July 1895, for acquiring lands and constructing a sewer in Mill Creek, from the centre line of Merseles street to Grand street, connecting therewith the sewers and water courses emptying into Mill Creek be and the same is hereby accepted by this Board, which hereby declares its determination to make said improvement, unless at or before the time hereinafter to be appointed for hearing parties in relation thereto, a remonstrance shall be presented to this Board, signed by the owners of property liable to more than one-half the assessment therefor, and that the Commissioners of Assessment with the aid and assistance of the Bureau of Survey be and are hereby directed to make and report to this Board an estimate of the quantity and kind of excavation and filling and amount of work to be done, and of the materials to be furnished for the making and completion of the said improvement, and that upon the filing of such report the Clerk of this Board shall advertise for proposals for doing such work and furnishing such materials, in manner and for the length of time required by law.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Awarding to Wm. H. Blackshaw, the contract to furnish and deliver steam and water fittings as per bid, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

2. Awarding to D. D. Clark, the contract to furnish and deliver cement and brick, as per bid, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

3. That a contract be awarded to Wood & Menagh to furnish and deliver paints, lead, &c., as per proposal, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

4. Awarding to Horace Macbride the contract to furnish and deliver coal, coke and wood, as per bid, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

5. Awarding to John Fox the contract to furnish and deliver cast iron water pipe as per bid, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

6. Awarding to W. W. Farrier the contract to furnish various supplies, as per proposal, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

7. Awarding to John Hopkins the contract for laying water pipe, as per bid, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the salaries of the following employes, as per pay rolls, for the month of July, 1895:—

Laborers on meters, amounting to $540.

Belleville and High service, amounting to $4,252.39.

General Superintendent, &c., in the Water Department, amounting to $1,449.50.

Laying and repairing water pipe, amounting to $2,808.25.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

9. Acquiring lands and constructing a sewer in Mill Creek from the centre line of Merseles Street to Grand Street, connecting therewith the sewers and water courses emptying into Mill Creek, &c., &c.

(Adopted August 6, 1895.)

10. Ordering paid the following claims: James Atchison, $2.20; A. Datz, $22.15 and $10.00; W. W. Farrier, $402.24; H. Macbride, $94.00, and J. W. Harrison, $6.50.

(Adopted July 30, 1895.)

11. Ordering paid the following claims: Holmes & Cogan, $56.03; J. W. Harrison, $1.25; L. E. Hoyte, $162.00; James McCarthy, $38.00; N. Y., L. E. & W. R. R. Co., $28.00; Theodore Smith & Bro., $158.84; Stanley & Patterson, $20.35; Vanderbeek & Sons, $109.18, and J. F. Underhill, $117,11.

(Adopted July 30, 1895.)

12. Ordering paid the following claims: Brown & Miller, $106.05, $100.56, $84.12, $53.50 and $5.00; W. W. Farrier, $9.00 and $5.95; Jersey City News, $4.40, $16.10, $16.10, $16.45, $16.10 and $16.45; J. H. Loper, $12.50; N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., $16.25; Susie Sutherland, $3; United Gas Improvement Co., $9.60; Vile & Son, $31.34 and $26.89; Washburn Bros. & Co., $13.80; Brinckman & Hauck, $153 and $72.30; A. Datz, $55, $32, $26.50, $22.50, $20, $20 and $10; Duhme & Troll, $59; W. W. Farrier, $393.12, $259.44 and $4.55; A. Gilbert, $89; Jersey City News, $25; H. Macbride, $49; J. S. McDonald, $72.83; Thomas Rynn, Agent, $28.76; Savage & Callary, $141.79; Susie Sutherland, $30.72, $4.80, $2.50 and

$14; Vanderbeek & Son, $3.26, and F. P. Woodcock, $14.55.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson.—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(All chargeable to account fees from Criminal Courts).

Andrew J. Boyle, fees as Clerk of Second Criminal Court for the month of July, 1895, $66.00.

W. P. Douglass, fees as Judge of Second Criminal Court for month of July, 1895, $99.00

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

The same committee further reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(Chargeable to "Martin Act" account.)

Chronicle Pub. Co., for envelopes (search) for "Martin Act Documents," $5, for City Clerk.

N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., searching titles under the Martin Act. $487.50.

N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., searching titles under the Martin Act. $619.50.

N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., searching titles under the Martin Act, $710.79.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(All chargeable to the account Printing, Stationery, &c., year 1894-1895.)

Jersey City News, printing manual, pages 39 to 48, $20.

James Atchison, rubber stamps, &c., City Comptroller's office, $11.50.

Peter Dafeldeker, carpenter work in office of Board of Finance and City Collector, $22.50.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—1.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, a certain requisition issued by the Comptroller of Jersey City, July 1st, 1895, in payment of interest then due to Violletta S. Van Winkle, on Registered Bond No. 7, in the sum of $1,000, has been lost in the mail, and after due and proper search cannot be found, and has never been received by the said Violletta S. Van Winkle; and

Whereas the said Violletta S. Van Winkle has prepared and executed a bond in the sum of fifty dollars to indemnify the City against any loss in the payment thereof, and which bond is believed a sufficient security.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue a requisition or draft upon the City Treasurer for the same amount to the said Violletta S. Van Winkle in payment of said interest due to her July 1st, 1895, and that the bond herewith attached be placed on file in the office of the City Comptroller.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Mary A. Daly for $52.85, including ($10.25) interest for duplicate payment of taxes for year 1892 on Lot 29, Block 497, No. 258 Halliday Street paid May 18th, 1895, being duplicate of payment made February 28th, 1894.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Thomas E. Collins for $37.96 including $2.21 interest, for duplicate payment of taxes, for year 1894 on Lot W½ 14, Block 1421, No. 59 Pearsall Avenue, paid August 2d, 1895, being duplicate of payment made July 25th, 1895.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, to transfer from Adjusted Lien Account collections made July 19th, 1895 to August 7th, 1895 inclusive, as follows:

To General Account, Adjusted Taxes, 1894.....	$6,235 23
To General Account, Adjusted Taxes, 1893.....	2,092 86
To General Account, Advertising Fees Tax Sales..	28 00
To Tax Arrearage Fund 1892, Adjusted Taxes, 1892.....	18,184 78

To Tax Arrearage Fund 1891, Adjusted taxes, 1891..... 13,859 08
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1890, Adjusted Taxes 1890..... .... 2,780 09
To Tax Arrearage Fund 1889, Adjusted Taxes 1889.... .... 4,406 87
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1888, Adjusted Taxes 1888..... ..... 10,933 73
To Tax Arrearage Fund, Adjusted Taxes 1875 to 1887..... .... 8,705 08
To Tax Arrearage Fund, Interest on Adjusted Taxes..... 4,018 23
To Fund 1873, Adjusted Taxes 1873 and 1874.. .. .. 50 30
To Water Account, Adjusted Water Rents..... 1,589 97
To Assessment Account, Adjusted Assessment..... .... 13,111 55

$85,995 77

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

WINFIELD C. DUNN,
Clerk Pro Tem.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, August 15, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones, and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

The call for the meeting, issued by the President, which was for the transaction of "General Business," was read.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the following meetings were approved as printed in manual form, on motion of Mr. Detwiller: Regular, July 18th; Special, July 19th; Adjourned special, July 25th; Adjourned, July 29th; Adjourned, July 30th, and Special August 8th, 1895.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of Sarah A. Martin, for the return of $5, erroneous assessment for water rents year 1895.

N. E. Smith & Son, for the return of duplicate payment of taxes for year 1894.

Samuel C. Mount, to be repaid amounts overcharged for water rents.

Michael Hurley, for the return of $2, erroneously assessed for water rents for year 1894-1895.

A communication was presented by Thomas J. Stewart, in which he petitions that the tax for 1888 on property corner Erie and Fifth street be cancelled of record for the reason that he was not aware of the fact that the said tax had not been paid to the city on the said property.

The communication was received and ordered filed, and the Clerk of the Board was directed to answer the same.

Communications bearing on the subject of a new water supply were presented by the Greenville Republican League Club and the South Bergen Republican Club, and they were each received and ordered filed, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriat committees:—

J. C. Electric Light Co., $2.35; Peter Golden, $25; Postal Tel. Cable Co., $2.50 and $26.18; John J. Walsh, $31.15; F. P. Van Saun, $25, and C. S. Westervelt, $30.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and referred to the Committee of the Whole:—

1. That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance the contract to provide the material and furnish the labor and produce the result required in specification heretofore approved for the furnishing of a new water supply for the city be awarded to the Jersey City Water Company on the basis of and in accordance with the specification and plan and standard submitted by said company and at the price named in their "Bid B" submitted to this Board July 1, 1895, so far as the same relates to the proposal by one supply main, viz:—

BID B.

For water delivered at a minimum consumption of twenty million gallons per day so that a maximum supply of fifty million gallons per day can be furnished, using one supply main capable of delivering fifty million gallons per day at the following schedule per million gallons:

For each million gallons up to twenty million gallons daily, thirty-nine dollars and seventy-five cents (39.75) making seven hundred and ninety-five (795) dollars in all.

For twenty-one million gallons daily, eight hundred and thirty-four (834) dollars.

For twenty-two million gallons daily, eight hundred and seventy-three (873) dollars.

For twenty-three million gallons daily, nine hundred and twelve (912) dollars.

For twenty-four million gallons daily, nine hudred and fifty-one (951) dollars.

For twenty-five million gallons daily, nine hundred and ninety (990) dollars.

For twenty-six million gallons daily, ten hundred and twenty-eight (1,028) dollars.

For twentyseven million gallons daily, ten hundred and sixty-six (1,066) dollars.

For twenty-eight million gallons daily, eleven hundred and four (1,104) dollars.

For twenty-nine million gallons daily, eleven hundred and forty-two (1,142) dollars.

For thirty million gallons daily, eleven hundred and eighty (1,180) dollars.

For thirty-one million gallons daily, twelve hundred and sixteen (1,216) dollars.

For thirty-two million gallons daily, twelve hundred and fifty-two (1,252) dollars.

For thirty-three million gallons daily, twelve hundred and eighty-eight (1,288) dollars.

For thirty-four million gallons daily, thirteen hundred and twenty-four (1,324) dollars.

For thirty-five million gallons daily, thirteen hundred and sixty (1,360) dollars.

For thirty-six million gallons daily, thirteen hundred and ninety-two (1,392) dollars.

For thirty-seven million gallons daily, fourteen hundred and twenty-four (1,424) dollars.

For thirty-eight million gallons daily, fourteen hundred and fifty-six (1,456) dollars.

For thirty-nine million gallons daily, fourteen hundred and eighty-eight (1,488) dollars.

For forty million gallons daily, fifteen hundred and twenty (1,520) dollars.

For forty-one million gallons daily, fifteen hundred and forty-eight (1,548) dollars.

For forty-two million gallons daily, fifteen hundred and seventy-six (1,576) dollars.

For forty-three million gallons daily, sixteen hundred and four (1,604) dollars.

For forty-four million gallons daily, sixteen hundred and thirty-two (1,632) dollars.

For forty-five million gallons daily, sixteen hundred and sixty (1,660) dollars.

For forty-six million gallons daily, sixteen hundred and eighty-five (1,685) dollars.

For forty-seven million gallons daily, seventeen hundred and ten (1,710) dollars.

For forty-eight million gallons daily, seventeen hundred and thirty-five (1,735) dollars.

For forty-nine million gallons daily, seventeen hundred and sixty (1,760) dollars.

For fifty million gallons daily, seventeen hundred and eighty-five (1,785) dollars.

And for each fractional portion of a million gallons (above twenty million) a pro rata price according to that rate per million gallons which the fractional part exceeds.

The above prices are circulated as follows:—

For each million gallons up to twenty million gallons daily, at the rate of thirty-nine dollars and seventy-five cents (39.75) per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from twenty million to twenty-five million gallons daily, at the rate of thirty-nine (39) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from twenty-five million to thirty million gallons daily at the rate of thirty-eight (38) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from thirty million to thirty-five million gallons daily, at the rate of thirty-six (36) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from thirty-five million to forty million gallons daily, at the rate of thirty-two (32) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from forty million to forty-five million gallons daily, at the rate of twenty-eight (28) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from forty-five million to fifty million gallons daily at the rate of twenty-five (25) dollars per million gallons.

For the plant, water supply, water rights, storage reservoirs, pipe lines, lands and rights of way, and all apurtenances and easements necessary to fulfill the requirements of this specification to the extent of fifty millions of gallons of water daily forever, which purchase can be made at any time within twenty years after first delivery of water.

With one supply main the sum of $7,950,000 (seven million, nine hundred and fifty thousand dollars).

We are willing to accept the payment as follows, in case purchase is made:—

Ten per cent. (10 p. c.) thereof in negotiable coupon water bonds of Jersey City of the denomination of one thousand dollars ($1,000) each bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. (4 p. c.) per annum, payable semi-annually, to run at least twenty (20) years—ninety per cent. (90 p. c.) thereof in cash.

The city having the right to agree with bidder as to whether payment shall be all cash or bonds, or in part cash and part bonds.

And that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby instructed to prepare, subject to approval by the Corporation Counsel, a contract and have the same executed.

2. That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance a contract to provide a new water supply for Jersey City be awarded to the East Jersey Water Company, the contract to run for the term of one year from delivery of water and for such additional term as may be agreed upon between this Board and said company, the water to be furnished to be the Pequannock water taken from the pipe line carrying water from Pequannock River to Newark; the said supply to be furnished Jersey City by gravity and to be so much or all of said water as the city of Jersey City requires after the supply of such water has been furnished to the city of Newark and other consumers supplied through said pipe now having the first right to draw therefrom to the extent of their contract requirements, at the following prices, as stated in supplemental proposition No. 1 of the bid of East Jersey Water Company, as referred to in supplementary proposition No. 4 of said company, viz:—

For water delivered at a minimum consumption of twenty million gallons per day, so that a maximum supply of fifty million gallons per day can be furnished using one supply main capable of delivering fifty million gallons per day at the following schedule per million gallons:—

For each million gallons up to twenty million gallons daily, forty-three dollars, ($43.00).

For twenty-one million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and eighty cents (42.80.)

For twenty-two million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and sixty cents, (42.60.)

For twenty-three million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and forty cents, (42.40.)

For twenty-four million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and twenty cents, (42.20.)

For twenty-five million gallons daily forty-two dollars, (42.00.)

For twenty-six million gallons daily, forty dollars and fifty cents (40.50).

For twenty-seven million gallons daily, thirty-nine dollars and ten cents, (39.10.)

For twenty-eight million gallons daily, thirty-seven dollars and seventy cents, (37.70.)

For twenty-nine million gallons daily, thirty-six dollars and thirty cents, (36.30.)

For thirty million gallons daily, thirty-five dollars (35.00).

For thirty-one million gallons daily, thirty-three dollars and ninety cents, (33.90.)

For thirty-two million gallons daily, thirty-two dollars and eighty cents, (32.80.)

For thirty-three million gallons daily, thirty-two dollars, (32.00.)

For thirty-four million gallons daily, thirty-one dollars and twenty cents, (31.20.)

For thirty-five million gallons daily, thirty dollars and forty cents, (30.40.)

For thirty-six million gallons daily, twenty-nine dollars and sixty cents, (29.60.)

For thirty-seven million gallons daily, twenty-eight dollars and ninety cents, (28.90).

For thirty-eight million gallons daily, twenty-eight dollars and twenty cents, (28.20.)

For thirty-nine million gallons daily, twenty-seven dollars and forty-five cents (27.45.)

For forty million gallons daily, twenty-six dollars and eighty cents, (26.80.)

For forty-one million gallons daily, twenty-six dollars and twenty cents, (26.20.)

For forty-two million gallons daily, twenty-five dollars and sixty cents (25.60.)

For forty-three million gallons daily, twenty-five dollars, (25).

For forty-four million gallons daily, twenty-four dollars and fifty cents, (24.50).

For forty-five million gallons daily, twenty-four dollars, (24.00).

For forty-six million gallons daily, twenty-three dollars and sixty cents, (23.60).

For forty-seven million gallons daily, twenty-three dollars and twenty cents, (23.20).

For forty-eight million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars and eighty cents, (22.80).

For forty-nine million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars and forty cents (22.40).

For fifty million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars, (22.00).

And for each fractional portion of a million gallons, (above twenty millions) a pro rata price according to that rate per million gallons, which the fractional part exceeds.

The quarterly bills shall be made up as follows: The entire quantity of water drawn in any one week shall be ascertained and divided by seven, which will give the daily consumption for that week, and the price shall be reckoned on that daily average.

And that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare, subject to the approval of the Corporation Counsel, a contract and have the same executed.

The following resolutions were also received from the same Board and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. To consent to the assignment made by Thomas Kelly (the contractor for the construction of the sewer in Dwight street, Garfield avenue, &c.) to William Runkle, said William Runkle to carry out the contract and specifications according to their terms and the proposal of Thomas Kelly.

(Adopted August 13, 1895.)

2. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted August 13, 1895.)

3. Ordered paid certain claims.

(Adopted August 13, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported, through Mr. Bailey, Chairman, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer on Assessment Accounts for the sum of $2,500 to transfer to General Account, as a loan for the purpose of creating a fund for the use of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners (as requested by said Board by resolution passed June 25, 1895), in order that the provisions of Chapter 166 of the Laws of 1894 and Chapter 217 and Chapter 289 of the Laws of 1895 may be properly complied with, and be it further

Resolved, That when said sum of $2,500 shall have been expended the Clerk of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners shall forward to this Board and also to the City Comptroller an itemized statement of expenditures made from this fund, showing in detail the improvements to which the same are chargeable or the contemplated improvements by reason of which the expenditure was incurred.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolution reported recommending the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following preamble and resolution, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners August 13, 1895, to-wit:—

Whereas, A resolution was passed by this Board on the thirteenth day of June, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, awarding a contract to Thomas Kelly for the construction of a sewer in Dwight street, Garfield avenue and other streets into New York Bay, which resolution was concurred in by the Board of Finance on August 1, 1892, and a contract entered into between the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City and the said Thomas Kelly on the 19th day of August, 1892, and

Whereas, Said Thomas Kelly has assigned said contract to William Runkle by assignment dated August 7, 1895, a copy of which is on file in this Board.

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance the assignment made by said Thomas Kelly to the said William Runkle be consented to, the said William Runkle to carry out the contract and specifications according to their terms and the proposal of Thomas Kelly annexed thereto.

The report was received and the contained therein resolution adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

1. Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John J. Walsh for $31.15, for serving "Martin Act" notices (chargeable to "Martin Act" account).

2. Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of August, 1895, when due, to-wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney, for cleaning rooms.

$40 to Charles Golden, for tending fires.

3. Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of August, 1895, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City "News," $229.16; The "Evening Journal," $229.16; The Jersey City "Herald," $229.16.

4. Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of N. P. Wedin for $70 for services as Assistant Clerk to the District Court during the month of August, 1895, when due, (to be paid only out of District Court fees).

5. Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Albert Payne for $66.66 for services as marshal to the Second District Court during the month of August, 1895, when due; (to be paid only out of District Court fees.

6. Resolved, that warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of August, 1895, when due, as follows:—

$416.66 due to P. F. Wanzer, Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to Wm. F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spener Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Chas. F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John H. McCutcheon, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$150 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$100 to Wm. C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$75 to Edward P. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

7. Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following claims, (chargeable to the Martin Act account):—

F. P. Van Saun, for typewriting for month of August, when due, $25.

C. S. Westervelt, for itemizing "Martin Act" reports for month of August, 1895, when due, $30.

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the votes

of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery, &c., reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims, (chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, &c., 1894-95):—

$2.25 to J. C. Electric Light Co., shade and holder for electric light, office Board Finance.

$25 to Peter Golden, services as messenger to City Clerk from July 30, 1895, to August 15, 1895, (both dates inclusive).

$2.50 Postal Tel. Cable Co., messenger services to Board of Finance for July, 1895.

$6.85 to N. Y. & N. J. Tel Co., tolls offices Treasurer and Comptrtoller, March 1, 1895, to June 1, 1895.

$2.10 to N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., tolls office Board of Finance, March 1, 1895, to June 1, 1895.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

President Jones, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported, submitting the following preamble and resolutions unanimously recommended by the Committee of the Whole for adoption by the Board of Finance, and the report was received and the preamble and resolutions were adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board, five in number, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President.

Whereas, The Board of Street and Water Commissioners did on August 13, 1895, adopt a resolution awarding a contract for a new supply of water for this city for the term of twenty-five years under specifications approved June 4, 1895, to the Jersey City Water Co., and whereas said Board did also on the same date adopt a resolution awarding a contract for a new supply of water for this city for the term of one year to the East Jersey Water Company, and whereas the said resolutions are now before this Board and have been referred to the Committee of the Whole for consideration and examination; and whereas this Board desires to have the advice of an expert of its own selection to enable it to determine whether it is to the best interests of the city to enter into said contracts; and whereas the question of the employment of an expert to advise this Board having arisen in connection with the specifications for a new water supply approved September 17, 1894, it was determined and agreed at a conference held on October 8, 1894, that the expenditures connected with the employment of such expert are properly chargeable to the Water account, and that it is necessary for the Board of Street and Water Commissioners by resolution to assume the payment of such expenditures out of the Water account, therefore

Resolved, That the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be and are hereby requested to pass a resolution to authorize the employment of an expert engineer, to be named by this Board, and who shall be instructed to report to this Board upon all matters that may properly effect the policy of the city in regard to its water supply and to advise this Board whether it is to the best interests of the city to enter in such contracts.

The expenses to be incurred under said resolution not to exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Whereas, Under the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, passed August 13, 1895, awarding a contract to the East Jersey Water Company for furnishing a temporary supply of water to this city, the term of the contract was fixed at one year and for such additional time as may be agreed upon between said Board and said company; and

Whereas, The supplemental proposition No. 4, submitted by the East Jersey Water Company July 1, 1895, in response to the advertisement for proposals for a new water supply, and under which said resolution purports to award said contract, is a proposition to furnish such temporary supply for the whole period until the delivery of water under the "contract for a permanent supply" and is conditional upon the award to said company of a contract for a permanent supply; therefore

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to furnish an opinion in writing to this Board at its next regular meeting as to whether said contract can be legally awarded to said bidder for any other term or upon any other conditions than those named in the proposal and presented to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners at the time fixed in the advertisement inviting proposals for a new water supply.

Mr. Simpson moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet again upon the call of the Chair.

Adopted.

The Board then adjourned, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, Aug. 29, 1895, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Present — President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—(4.)

Absent—Mr. Detweller (1).

The call for the meeting issued by the President and for the transaction of "General Business," was read.

The regular order of business was then taken up.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the special meetinig of Aug. 15, 1895, were approved as printed in the manual form, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:

Of John A. Vill, to have payments made in error for certain assessments, transferred to property owned by him.

Of Frank J. Mathews, agent of Peter Roberts, for the return of erroneous assessments for water rents paid for years 1894 and 1895.

Of Mrs. P. Wheelihan, for the return of $1.90 for erroneous assessments for water rents, year 1895.

Of Amelia Hammond to have certain taxes for year 1893 corrected.

Of Mrs. J. W. Dudley for the return of duplicate payments of water rents for year 1895.

Of James H. Love, agent of W. J. Elkins, for the return of $1.90, erroneous assessments for water rents, 1895.

The following communications were also presented:

From M. Armstrong, Jr., attorney of Chas. E. Freeland, notifying this Board that a judgement against the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, has been obtained in the 2d District Court- of Jersey City for $12.00 debt and $2.75 cost of suit a transcript of such judgment having been filed in the City Clerk's office.

Received and referred to the Corporation Council.

From the Merchants' Protective Association, submitting a resolution pased by said association, endorsing the project of securnig disinterested experts to examine the bids now before the Board of Finance, relating to the water question.

Received and ordered filed.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:

J. C. News, $46.00, $52.50 and $20.00; P. H. Hanley, $2.50; Jacob Soney, $5.25; Randolph Perkins, $66.60; Henry W. Moser, $12.00, $12.00; James F. Norton, $160.00, and J. H. Potts, $240.00.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Police Commissioners:—

Resolution requesting that $250.00 be transferred from account of Committee on Hospital and Dispensaries to the account of the Committee on General Claims, for the purpose of paying the matron of the Women's Prison, for the balance of the present fiscal year and fixing her rooms.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, were presented, received and disposed of as follows:—

1. That the Board of Finance be authorized to select an expert engineer, at a compensation to be fixed by said Board, not exceeding $5,000, to advise that Board upon the policy of the City in regard to the water supply, and to advise the Board of Finance in all things now before it relating to a new water supply, and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Finance forward to this Board the name of the engineer selected by them and the compensation to be paid so that this Board can pass a resolution to employ such expert engineer and provide for his compensation, which resolution, when passed, to take the usual course of resolutions requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance and approved by the Mayor.

(Adopted August 20, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

2. To rescind the resolution awarding to Vanderbeek & Sons the contract to supply lumber on water account.

(Adopted August 20, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid the salaries of Water Registrar, &c., for the month of August, 1895, when due, amounting to $3,018.31, as per pay roll.

(Adopted August 27, 1895.)

4. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters, for the month of August, 1895, when due, amounting to $540, as per pay roll.

(Adopted August 27, 1895.)

5. Fixing the salary of Andrew J. Booth, carpenter at High Service, (appointed August 27, 1895,) at $3 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted August 27, 1895.)

6. Fixing the salary of Thomas Parkinson, assistant carpenter at Belleville, (appointed August 13, 1895) at $2.50 per day when engaged, and Patrick Mailly, coal passer at Belleville (appointed August 13, 1895) at $2 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted August 13, 1895.)

7. Fixing the salary of Timothy Sullivan, assistant carpenter at High Service, (appointed August 27, 1895), at $2.50 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted August 27, 1895.)

8. Fixing the salary of Jos. E. Frank, inspector on the "laying of cast iron water pipe," (appointed August 20, 1895) at $3 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted August 20, 1895.)

9. Awarding to E. K. Meigs & Co. the contract to supply lumber for the water account, they being the lowest bidders.
(Adopted August 20, 1895.)
10. To adertise for bids to reset three (3) boilers at Belleville Pumping Station according to specifications.
(Adopted August 20, 1895.)
11. Ordering paid certain claims.
(Adopted August 20, 1895.)
12. Ordering paid certain claims.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
13. Ordering paid claim of Robert Muirhead, $4.62.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
14. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Claremont avenue from Arlington avenue to Ocean avenue.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
15. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Atlantic street, from Ocean avenue to Bergen avenue.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
16. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Carteret avenue from Ocean avenue to Arlington street.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
17. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Ogden avenue from Ferry street to Franklin street.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
18. To award to J. J. McCabe the contract for the improvement of Sea View avenue from Ocean avenue to Garfield avenue.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
19. To award to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Pamrapo avenue, from old Bergen road to the Hudson County Public Road.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
20. To award to John Hopkins the contract for the construction of a sewer in Larch avenue, from about 400 feet northerly from St. Paul's avenue to and connecting with sewer in St. Paul's avenue.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
21. Awarding to Edward O'Neill the contract for the improvement of Brown place, from the easterly side of Avenue E to Garfield avenue.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
22. To award to Edward O'Donnell the contract for the improvement of St. Paul's avenue, from Palisade avenue to Summit avenue.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
The above resolutions were each referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported, recommending that the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the following salaries for the month of August, 1895, when due, as per pay roll:—
Water Registrar, etc.....$3,018.31
Laborers on Meters..... 540.00
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
2. Fixing the salary of Joseph E. Frank, Inspector on Laying of Cast Iron Water Pipe (appointed August 20, 1895) at $3.00 per day, when engaged, appointment to take effect when the laying of cast iron water pipe is commenced.
(Adopted August 20, 1895.)
3. Fixing the salary of Timothy Sullivan, assistant carpenter at High Service (appointed August 27, 1895) at $2.50 per day when engaged.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
4. Fixing the salary of Andrew J. Booth, carpenter at High Service (appointed August 27, 1895) at $3.00 per day when engaged.
(Adopted August 27, 1895.)
5. Fixing the salary of Thomas Parkinson, assistant carpenter at Belleville (appointed August 13, 1895) at $2.50 per day when engaged.
(Adopted August 13, 1895.)
6. To award to E. K. Meigs & Co. the contract to furnish lumber for the water account, they being the lowest bidders.
(Adopted August 20, 1895.)
7. To adveertise for bids to re-set three (3) boilers at Belleville Pumping Station, in accordance with specifications, etc.
(Adopted August 20, 1895.)
8. Ordering paid the following claims:—
July 23, 1895—Savage & Callary, $89.37; H. F. Hayes, $53.75; John S. McDonald, $20.69; H. Macbride, $89, and $31.50; W. W. Farrier, $46.37 and $147.35.

August 13, 1895—Brown & Miller, $461.36, $40.64, $527.91, $394.68; Charles L. Rugge, $91.44; A. F. Grant, $73; H. M. Denton, $21.57; A. Datz, $2 and $22; S. Cunningham, $20; J. C. Herald, $5.50; W. W. Farrier, $38.62; J. C. Herald, $5.50, $5.50 and $5.50; H. F. Hayes, $90.80; N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., $45.75 and $105.50; J. P. Smith, $16; Susie Sutherland, $6.50 and $26.50; J. F. Underhill, $59.04; John A. Vill, $4.10.
July 16, 1895—United Gas Improvement Co., $11.40.

August 20, 1895—W. W. Farrier, $39.11, $475.40, $16.50; Jersey City Harness Co., $94.75; Wood & Menagh, $73.46; I. W. Startup, $5.85; Savage & Callary, $126.71; Vanderbeek & Sons, $54.71; Woolsey Paint & Color Co., $79.78, $18.40 and $15.60; M. T. Connolly, $497.40; F. A. Smith, $40.53 and $4.45; Brown & Miller, $4.10; Robert McArthur, 32.85; Chas. Crouse & Co., $12.50, M. T. Connolly, $160.85, $90.60, $427.30 and $140.15; A. Datz, $27.20 and $25.75; Charles L. Rugge, $113.77; Robert Muirheid, $4.62; Andrew Shaw, $320.50.

August 27, 1895—W. W. Farrier, $8.30; Bartley Coyle, $7.50; Keffel & Esser Co., $3.20; Theo. Goddard & Son, $6; W. W. Farrier, $3.02; J. Schellenberger, $61.90;

J. F. Underhill, $15.66; F. A. Smith, $37.55; R. B. Ingram, $45.50, and Brown & Miller, $47.74.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported reommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(All chargeable to the "Martin Act" account.)

$52.50 to the Jersey City News for advertising "Martin Act" notices.

$20 to the Jersey City News for printing "Martin Act" forms.

$12 to Henry W. Moser for emptying privy vault of house No. 257 Henderson street (owned by the city).

$12 to Henry W. Moser for emptying privy vault of house No. 104 Lexington avenue (owned by the city).

$66 60 to Randolph Perkins, serving "Martin Act" notices.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nayes—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The Committee on Printing, Stationery, etc., reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account printing, stationery, etc., 1894-95): $5.25 to Jacob Soney, locksmith work, Board of Finance, etc.; $2.50 to P. H. Hanley, repairing furniture for City Treasurer; $46 to Jersey City News, printing manual slips, pps. 49-71.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones, Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received and they were each adopted by the following vote, on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones, Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That so much of the resolution adopted by this Board July 30, 1895, as refers to the payment of $800.00 to Maxwell McMaster and the amount of temporary loan bond of $1,359.84 to be issued, be and the same is hereby reconsidered and rescinded, and that the resolution be amended by making the amount of the temporary loan bond to be issued in the sum of $559.84, instead of $1,359.84, provision having been made by resolution of June 25, 1895, for the payment of $800.00 to Isaac Romaine, attorney for Maxwell McMaster.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Whereas, The Board of Street and Water Commissioners did, on Aug. 20, 1895, rescind the resolution adopted July 23, 1895, awarding the contract to Vanderbeek & Sons, to furnish lumber, chargeable to water account, therefore,

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board, July 25, 1895, concurring in the resolution to award Vanderbeek & Sons the contract to furnish lumber, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

By Mr. Bailey, on behalf of the Committee on Finance:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of $250 from the account of Committee on Hospital and Dispensaries to the account of Committee on General Claims, account Board of Police Commissioners, for the purpose of paying the matron of the Women's Prison for the balance of the present fiscal year and fixing her rooms.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Mrs. P. Wheelihan, for $1.90, to return erroneous assessment for water rents for 1895, on Lot W. 24, Block 589, Newark avenue, paid July 16, 1895, the assessment should have been on a two (2) story building instead of on a three (3) story building, as appears by the certificate of the Water Registrar.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, An error has been made by the Board of Tax Commissioners in assessing for taxes, year 1893, Lot 18, Block 1323, Stegman street, on a valuation of $1,000 (tax $27.50) as containing a house, when the assessment on said property should have been on a valuation of $150 (tax $4.13) same being a vacant lot, therefor

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to make the change on his books in conformity with the petition of Amelia Hammond, presented to this Board August 29, 1895, so that the valuation shall appear as $150 and this property shown as a vacant lot.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Mrs. J. W. Dudley, for $20.30, to return duplicate payment of water rents for year 1895, on Lot D, Block 495, Communipaw avenue, paid June 29, 1895, being duplicate of payment made June 28, 1895.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Michael Hurley for $2.00 to return erroneous assessment for water rents, years 1894 and 1895, on Lots No. 11 and No. 12, Block 434, Monitor street, paid May 17, 1895; the water rents for "horse" at $1.00 for each of said years should not have been assessed.

Mr. Simpson moved that when the Board adjourns it meet on Wednesday, September 4, 1895, at 8 P. M.

Adopted.

The Board then adjourned on motion of Mr. Simpson.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

On Wednesday, September 4, 1895, at the hour of eight o'clock P. M. at the regular meeting room of the Board of Finance in the City Hall, I called the roll of membership of the Board of Finance, no one of whom responded thereto, all of said members being absent.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, September 5, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present at roll call—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Absent—President Jones.

(President Jones subsequently appeared and took his seat.)

In the absence of the President Mr. Detwiller was elected President pro tempore, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the special meeting held August 29, 1895, were approved as printed in manual form, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petition of Harriet A. Barnett for the correction of certain assessments for taxes.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Of E. C. Van Buskirk for the return of certain sums erroneously paid for water rents.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

A communication was received from William A. Gahagen, addressed to Reuben Simpson, a member of the Board, requesting that arrangements so that the work of reconstructing the Soldiers' Monument may be at once proceeded with, Mr. Gahagen having received the order to do the work.

On motion of Mr. Bailey, Mr. Simpson was appointed to look after the expenditure of the money ($375) appropriated by this Board for the doing of such work.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Of James Atchison, $6.50; Postal Tel. and Cable Co., $3.20 and $17.92.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Corporation Counsel:—

Jersey City, Sept. 4, 1895.

To the Board of Finance of Jersey City:

Gentlemen:—In reply to your resolution of the 22d of August as to whether the contract recently awarded to the East Jersey Water Company for a temporary supply of water for this city, by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, can be legally awarded to said company for any other term or upon any other conditions than those named in the proposal of that company, etc., I respectfully advise you that the action of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners making said award is legal, for the following reasons:—

1. Because the proposal of the East Jersey Water Company, upon which the award was made, was not made in response to the formal specifications put forth by the city, but was made under permission given in the "note" attached to said specifications, but which formed no part thereof.

2. The proposition of the East Jersey Water Company, upon which the contract was awarded, being an informal and supplemental one, it was not in competition with any other bid and may be varied.

3. It is the fact of open and even competition under fixed and definite specifications, where each bidder bids upon precisely the same requirements, that determines the unchangeable character of the bids after their reception. In this instance there was no such competition, in fact no competition at all.

The city, after setting forth particularly in its published specifications just what it would require of all bidders, gave notice that "all bidders making a formal bid under this specification will be allowed to offer as many supplemental propositions and attach them to their bids as they may desire, in which they can offer for the consideration of the Board a new supply of water upon such terms, conditions and plans as the bidder may propose," etc. A proposition under this notice is entirely unlike one made under formal specifications. A formal bid under fixed specifications must stand or fall without modification while there are other bids standing in competition. The city must either accept or reject the bid as first made, because the rights of others are involved, but a bid like the East Jersey Water Company's in this instance has no such element of rigidity. It is simply an offer in which that company makes its own terms and conditions. The city is at liberty to take part of the offer, the whole of it, or none of it. It is a pure question of negotiation of give and take as between private parties. The East Jersey Water Company is not obliged to accept the offer the Street and Water Board has made it, but if it sees fit to do so, and does so, then a legal contract will have been entered into.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN A. BLAIR,

Corporation Counsel.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the communication was received, ordered entered in full upon the minutes and filed.

The following communication was received from the Clerk of the Board of Fire Commissioners and on motion referred to the Corporation Counsel:—

Jersey City, N. J., Aug. 30, 1895.

Hon. Board of Finance, Jersey City, N. J.:—

Dear Sir:—The enclosed petition of Michael Flaherty, asking for the sum of twenty-five dollars in payment of damage to his crops caused by this department while at work at a fire on June 9, 1895, was presented to this Board July 31,

1895, and refered by them to you for your consideration.

Yours respectfully,
CHARLES ESTERBROOK,
Clerk.

To the Honorable the members of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Jersey City:—

Your petitioner, Michael Flaherty, of Jersey City, respectfully shows—That on June 9, 1895, the bridge of the Central Railroad of New Jersey at the foot of Chapel avenue, Jersey City, took fire; and that the Fire Department of Jersey City while at work at said fire was compelled to cross your petitioner's market garden adjoining the aforesaid bridge and did damage to your petitioner's crops to the amount of $25.

And your petitioner would pray that your Honorable Board make some provision for the payment of the same.

MICHAEL FLAHERTY,
By FAGEN & MURPHY,
His Attorneys.

The following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance, were presented, received and refrred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Ordering paid claim of Bartley Coyle, $45.00.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

2. To award to Edward O'Neill the contract for the construction of a sewer in Prospect street, from 50 feet west of Oakland avenue to and connecting with sewer in Central avenue.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

3. To award to Sheridan, Shea & Co. the contract for the improvement of Sherman avenue from South street to North street.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

4. Awarding to John Hopkins the contract for the construction of a sewer in Summit avenue from 40 feet southerly from Sherman place and connecting with sewer in Summit avenue at or near intersection of Summit avenue and Sanford place.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

5. Awarding to Dennis Byrnes the contract for the improvement of Thorne street, from Summit avenue to Hudson County Public Road.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

6. Awarding to P. L. Rehill the contract for the construction of a sewer in Ocean avenue, from 20 feet south of Woodlawn avenue to Armstrong place, and in Armstrong place to Garfield avenue, in Garfield avenue to Woodlawn avenue, and from Woodlawn avenue to and connecting with Richard street sewer.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

7. Awarding to Henry Byrnes the contract for the improvement of Bostwick place, from Storm avenue to the easterly end of Bostwick place.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

8. To award to Andrew Shaw the contract for the construction of a sewer in Cambridge avenue from about 90 feet southerly from South street to and connecting with sewer in Bowers street.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

9. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, etc., in water departmet for the month of August, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $1,508.50.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

10. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers, laying and repairing water pipe for the month of August, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $3,008.87.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

11. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of August, 1895, as per payrolls, amounting to $4,495.45.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported, recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. To award contract to Henry Byrne for the improvement of Pamrapo avenue, from Old Bergen Road to the Hudson County Public Road.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

2. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Atlantic street, from Ocean avenue to Bergen avenue.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

3. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Ogden avenue from Ferry street to Franklin street.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

4. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Claremont avenue, from Arlington avenue to Ocean avenue.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

5. To award to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Carteret avenue, from Ocean avenue to Arlington avenue.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

6. Awarding to John Hopkins the contract for the construction of a sewer in Larch avenue, from about 400 feet northerly from St. Paul's avenue to and connecting with sewer in St. Paul's avenue.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

7. Awarding to J. J. McCabe the contract for the improvement of Seaview avenue from Ocean avenue to Garfield avenue.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

8. Awarding to Edward O'Neill the contract for the construction of a sewer in Prospect street from 50 feet west of

Oakland avenue to and connecting with sewer in Central avenue.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

9. To award to Sheridan, Shea & Co. the contract for the improvement of Sherman avenue from South street to North street.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

10. Awarding to John Hopkins the contract for the construction of a sewer in Summit avenue from 40 feet southerly from Sherman place and connecting with sewer in Summit avenue near Sanford place.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

11. Awarding to Dennis Byrnes the contract for the improvement of Thorne street, from Summit avenue to Hudson County Public Road.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

12. Awarding to P. L. Reehill the contract for the construction of a sewer in Ocean avenue, from 20 feet south of Woodlawn avenue, to Armstrong place, to Garfield avenue, in Garfield avenue, to Woodlawn avenue, and from Woodlawn avenue to and connecting with Richard street sewer.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

13. Awarding to Henry Byrnes the contract for the improvement of Bostwick place, from Storm avenue to easterly end of Bostwick place.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

14. Awarding to Andrew Shaw the contract for the construction of a sewer in Cambridge avenue, from about 90 feet southerly from South street to and connecting with sewer in Bowers street.

(Adopted Sept. 3, 1895.)

15. Awarding to Edward O'Neill the contract for the improvement of Brown place from the easterly side of Avenue E to Garfield avenue.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

16. Awarding to Edward O'Donnell the contract for the improvement of St. Paul's avenue, from Palisade avenue to Summit avenue.

(Adopted Aug. 27, 1895.)

17. Ordering paid the following claims:

August 13, 1895, Robert McArthur, $1,021.50; Wm. J. Burns, $12.20, $25.00 and $6.00.

September 3, 1895, Bartley Coyle, $45.00.

18. Ordering paid the following salaries for the month of August, 1895, as per payrolls:—

Laying and repairing water pipe, $3,008.87; Belleville and High Service, $4,495.45; General Superintendent, etc., $1,508.50.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the chairman:—

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4

Nays—None.

Absent—President Jones—1.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(Chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, etc., year 1894-1895.)

Jas. Atchison, for bound copies of laws of 1895, for Board of Finance, Mayor, etc., $6.50.

Postal Tel. Cable Co., for messenger service to Board of Finance for August, 1895, $3.20.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the Chairman:—

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent——President Jones—1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received,and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the Chairman.

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—President Jones—1.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, Provision having been made in the tax levy, made July 30, 1895, to appropriate the sum of $3,271.44 to the Board of Aldermen, to pay, during the fiscal year beginning December 1, 1895, deficiencies in fiscal years 1893 and 1894 on elections account; therefore

Resolved, That the resolution adopted January 24, 1895, appropriating the sum of $3,300 for the same purpose, be and the same is hereby rescinded and revoked.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of an act entitled "An act concerning cities," approved April 21, 1876, and the supplements thereto, and also an act entitled "An act relating to the issue of temporary loan bonds in cities of the State," approved April 21, 1884, one or more bonds be issued for the sum of $325,000, in anticipation of the collection of taxes of Jersey City for the year 1893, said bonds to be dated September 12, 1895, and payable January 1, 1900, with interest payable semi-annually on January 1 and July 1, at the rate of not exceeding 4½ per cent. per annum, and the proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds be applied for the payment of outstanding temporary loan bonds issued against the taxes for the year 1893 and such other indebtedness as the uncollected taxes for said year may be liable.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled "An act relating to the issue of temporary loan bonds in cities of the State," approved April 21, 1884, the Committee on Finance be and they are hereby authorized to borrow on one or more temporary loan bonds a sum not exceeding $300,000, to be issued, from time to time as required

in anticipation of the collection of taxes of Jersey City for the year 1894, said bonds to be payable on demand with interest at a rate of not exceeding 4½ per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on January 1 and July 1.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, The City Collector did, on April 16, 1895, sell to the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City lots 9 and 10, block 1,335, for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc., and

Whereas, It appears from statement made by L. D. Fowler, Clerk of Commissioners of Adjustment, that the taxes for years 1873 to 1880, inclusive, are duplicates, said property having been twice assessed, and once paid, therefore the liens as adjusted in Report No. 94 for said years should be cancelled; and

Whereas, The taxes for the years 1891 and 1892 on said property were paid June 10, 1895 (the taxes for those years having also been included in said sale of April 16, 1895) therefore be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $107, to be used in part payment for the redemption of said lots 9 and 10, block 1,335, sold to the city April 16, 1895.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to accept said warrant for $107 upon the payment by James Gleason of the sum of $5.50 (being the assessment for Ocean avenue improvement $4.40 as adjusted in said Report No. 94 and the interest on same, $1.10), in full payment for the redemption of said lots 9 and 10, block 1,335.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then took a recess.

Upon the reassembling of the Board, at 9 o'clock P. M., of this same date, the roll was called and the following members were present:—

President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5 (President Jones in the chair).

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then went into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering the resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, August 13, 1895, awarding to the Jersey City Water Company the contract to furnish a new water supply to Jersey City, and to the East Jersey Water Company the contract to furnish a temporary water supply to Jersey City, which resolutions were presented to the Board of Finance for its concurrence therein, at the meeting held August 15, 1895, and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Upon the reassembling of the Board the same members were present as at roll call (President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5).

The Committee of the Whole (through its chairman, President Jones) reported, presenting the following:—

THE MAJORITY REPORT.

The undersigned, being a majority of the Committee of the Whole, to whom was referred the resolutions of the Street and Water Board, awarding a contract for a permanent water supply to the Jersey City Water Company, and another for a temporary water supply to the East Jersey Water Company, respectfully make the following report:—

Whereas, It was the intention of the Board of Finance to appoint an expert to give them an impartial report as to the merits of the various bids, it has been found that the experts consulted demanded at least three to four months to make proper investigations and reports, and that it would involve an expense of not less than $5,000.

It was further ascertained by personal interviews that the Mayor was opposed to the appointment of an expert on the ground that it was an unwarranted delegation of the powers of the Board, and placed too much power in the hands of one man, who may be reached by influences inimical to the interests of the city, and by personal conference with the Board of Street and Water Commissioners we believe that Board will not abide by the decision of an expert; and

Whereas, The opinion as regards the merits of the various bids differs materially in the minds of the members of this Board, owing to the difference of price, area of watershed, quality of the water and proposed means of preventing pollution; and

Whereas, It is evident that the city suffers greatly from the lack of a better water supply; that we are losing our population, our properties are depreciating in value and the city's revenues are decreasing; and

Whereas, It seems to be our duty to do our utmost in securing a water supply for which we will probably have to pay only more by longer delay, and probably cannot get relief from the Legislature, having failed for ten years in that quarter, and can see no prospect of securing a better supply in the near future unless determined action is taken on the present awards, even at a sacrifice of personal views; and

Whereas, This Board is only a concurring Board and can simply act affirmatively or negatively upon the contract before it, we believe that the appointment of an expert or insistance on individual opinion will simply destroy the present attempt to obtain a new water supply; and

Whereas, The Mayor has the absolute power of approval or disapproval of awarding the contract, or the appointment of an expert, and freely expressed himself that he was opposed to it, therefore we have

Resolved, To concur in the resolutions of the Board of Street and Water Com-

missioners, awarding the contract to the Jersey City Water Company, and to concur in the resolution to award a contract to the East Jersey Water Company for a temporary supply, and leave it to the Corporation Counsel and the Mayor to look into the legality of the same.

JACOB J. DETWILLER,
REUBEN SIMPSON,
JAMES S. BAILEY.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the majority report was, by a unanimous vote, received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes.

The following minority report was then presented:—

THE MINORITY REPORT.

The Committee of the Whole to which was referred the resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners August 13, 1895, awarding a contract for a new supply of water for this city for the term of twenty-five years, under specifications approved June 4, 1895, to the Jersey City Water Company, also the resolution of said board of the same date, awarding the contract for a new supply of water for the term of one year and thereafter for such additional term as may be agreed upon, to the East Jersey Water Company, respectfully report as follows:—

The committee upon taking up the consideration of the latter resolution felt a doubt as to the power of the city to legally award a contract for a temporary supply for the specified term of one year to the East Jersey Water Company in diregard of the conditions named in their supplemental proposition No. 4, under which the award purports to be made, and accordingly reported a resolution which was adopted by the Board August 15, 1895, requesting the Corporation Counsel to furnish it with a written opinion upon this point.

The opinion presented at the present meeting of the board by the Corporation Counsel affirms the legality of the award and relieves the committee of its doubts upon that head.

The proposition of the East Jersey Water Company is that it will furnish the new supply from the pipe line now in its use and control, and which carries the water of the Pequannock River to Newark, and that the water will be the same as that now furnished to Newark; the company's right to dispose of this water will terminate in the year 1900, when the works pass into the possession of Newark.

The cost of a daily supply of 23,000,000 gallons, the city's present consumption, is fixed in the bid at $42.40, amounting to $975.20 per day, or $355,948 per year, an expenditure which will cause an annual deficit in the water account estimated at $250,000. The committee, while it would hesitate to bind the city to a contract at a rate so high as this for a longer period than one year, nevertheless thinks it expedient in view of possible contingencies that the right should be reserved to the city to extend the term of the contract by successive annual renewals to cover so much of the period from date to the year 1900, as may be hereafter deemed necessary; also, that the Water Company, having an ample head of water for the purpose, be required to deliver the new supply into the city's mains at Belleville under such pressure, not exceeding that of a head of 220 feet above high tide, as will enable the present mains to convey a supply of water adequate to the wants of the city, thereby obviating the necessity of providing an additional main at present.

In view of the urgent demand for the immediate improvement of the water supply and the ability of that company to furnish the new supply within a period of six months and for the further reason that under this proposition the city will not be compelled to incur any expenditure either for a new main or for the purpose of connecting its present mains with the works of the Water Company, the Committee recommends that the resolution awarding the contract for a temporary supply to the East Jersey Water Company be concurred in.

An examination of the plan submitted with the proposal of the Jersey City Water Company, under which the contract for a new supply of water for this city for the term of tewnty-five years was awarded, as stated above by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, shows that its main features are identical with those of the plan attached to the proposition made by that company, March 25, 1895, under which a contract was awarded to it by the Board of Street and Water Commisioners, April 29, 1895, which award was non-concurred in by the Board of Finance, May 9, 1895. That plan claimed to embrace a watershed of forty-seven square miles, the control of which with the necessary reservoirs and pipe lines was offered to the city for $7,000,000; the area of the watershed has been increased in the present proposal to 65.46 square miles, of which 6.33 square miles is unavailable water surface and 59.13 square miles land surface, and the price at which the city can acquire the works and water under the option to purchase is fixed at $7,950,000.

The cost of a daily supply of 23 million gallons is fixed in the bid at 912 dollars, amounting to 332,800 dollars per year, the cost of a daily supply of 50 million gallons is fixed at 1,785 dollars, amounting to 651,525 dollars per year.

Using our best judgment upon the information available to us, we conclude that an adequate and satisfactory sup-

ply of water can be obtained at rates much lower than those here given, and that the proposals submitted in the present competition are sufficient evidence of this fact.

The proposal of the Jersey City Water Company is deemed by the Committee to be unsatisfactory: First, because the prices named therein are excessive and, Second, because we are convinced that the capacity of the water shed is deficient and that it cannot be depended upon to furnish more than 40 million gallons of water per day under all circumstances. We, therefore, recommend that the resolution awarding the contract for a permanent supply to the Jersey City Water Company be non-concurred in.

The committee recommends that the following resolution be adopted:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners August 13, 1895, to wit:—

That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance a contract to provide a new water supply for Jersey City be awarded to the East Jersey Water Company, the contract to run for the term of one year from delivery of water and for such additonal term as may be agreed upon between this Board nd said company, the water to be furnished to be the Pequannock water taken from the pipe line carrying water from Pequannock River to Newark; the said supply to be furnished Jersey City by gravity and to be so much or all of said water as the city of Jersey City requires after the supply of such water has been furnished to the city of Newark and other consumers supplied through said pipe now having the first right to draw therefrom to the extent of their contract requirements, at the following prices, as stated in supplemental proposition No. 1 of the bid of the East Jersey Water Company, as referred to in supplemental proposition No. 4 of said company, viz:—

For water delivered at a minimum consumption of twenty million gallons per day, so that a maximum supply of fifty million gallons per day can be furnished using one supply main capable of delivering fifty million gallons per day at the following schedule per million gallons:—

For each million gallons up to twenty million gallons daily, forty-three dollars. ($43.00.)

For twenty-one million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and eighty cents ($42.80.)

For twenty-two million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and sixty cents ($42.60.)

For twenty-three million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and forty cents, ($42.40.)

For twenty-four million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and twenty cents, ($42.20.)

For twenty-five million gallons daily, forty-two dollars, ($42.00.)

For twenty-six million gallons daily, forty dollars and fifty cents ($40.50.)

For twenty-seven million gallons daily, thirty-nine dollars and ten cents, $39.10.)

For twenty-eight million gallons daily, thirty-seven dollars and seventy cents, ($37.70.)

For twenty-nine million gallons daily, thirty-six dollars and thirty cents, ($36.30.)

For thirty million gallons daily, thirty-five dollars ($35.00.)

For thirty-one million gallons daily, thirty-three dollars and ninety cents, ($33.90.)

For thirty-two million gallons daily, thirty-two dollars and eighty cents, ($32.80.)

For thirty-three million gallons daily, thirty-two dollars, ($32.00.)

For thirty-four million gallons daily, thirty-one dollars and twenty cents, ($31.20.)

For thirty-five million gallons daily, thirty dollars and forty cents, ($30.40.)

For thirty-six million gallons daily, twenty-nine dollars and sixty cents, ($29.60.)

For thirty-seven million gallons daily, twenty eight dollars and ninety cents, ($28.90.)

For thirty-eight million gallons daily, twenty-eight dollars and twenty cents, ($28.20.)

For thirty-nine million gallons daily, twenty-seven dollars and forty-five cents, ($27.45.)

For forty million gallons daily, twenty-six dollars and eighty cents, ($26.80.)

For forty-one million gallons daily, twenty-six dollars and twenty cents, ($26.20.)

For forty-two million gallons daily, twenty-five dollars and sixty cents ($25.60.)

For forty-three million gallons daily, twenty-five dollars ($25).

For forty-four million gallons daily, twenty-four dollars and fifty cents ($24.50).

For forty-five million gallons daily, twenty-four dollars ($24).

For forty-six million gallons daily, twenty-three dollars and sixty cents ($23.60).

For forty-seven million gallons daily, twenty-three dollars and twenty cents ($23.20).

For forty-eight million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars and eighty cents ($22.80).

For forty-nine million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars and forty cents ($22.40).

For fifty million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars ($22).

And for each fractional portion of a million gallons, (above twenty millions) a pro rata price according to that rate per million gallons, which the fractional part exceeds.

The quarterly bills shall be made up as follows: The entire quantity of water

drawn in any one week shall be ascertained and divided by seven, which will give the daily consumption for that week, and the price shall be reckoned on that daily average.

And that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare, subject to the approval of the Corporation Counsel, a contract and have the same executed.

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby non-concurs in the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, August 13, 1895, to wit:—

That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance the contract to provide the material and furnish the labor and produce the result required in specification heretofore approved for the furnishing of a new water supply for the city be awarded to the Jersey City Water Company on the basis of and in accordance with the specification and plan and standard submitted by said company and at the price named in their "Bid B" submitted to this Board July 1, 1895, so far as the same relates to the proposal by one supply main, viz:—

BID B.

For water delivered at a minimum consumption of twenty million gallons per day so that a minimum supply of fifty millions gallons per day can be furnished, using one supply main capable of delivering fifty million gallons per day at the following schedule per million gallons:

For each million gallons up to twenty million gallons daily, thirty-nine dollars and seventy-five cents (39.75) making seven hundred and ninety- five (795) dollars in all.

For twenty-one million gallons daily, eight hundred and thirty-four (834) dollars.

For twenty-two million gallons daily eight hundred and seventy-three (873) dollars.

For twenty-three million gallons daily, nine hundred and twelve (912) dollars.

For twenty-four million gallons daily, nine hundred and fifty-one (951) dollars.

For twenty--five million gallons daily, nine hundred and ninety (990) dollars.

For twenty-six million gallons daily, ten hundred and twenty-eight (1,028) dollars.

For twenty-seven million gallons daily, ten hundred and sixty-six (1,066) dollars.

For twenty-eight million gallons daily, eleven hundred and four (1,004) dollars.

For twenty-nine million gallons daily, eleven hundred and forty-two (1,142) dollars.

For thirty million gallons daily, eleven hundred and eighty (1,080) dollars. ?

For thirty-one million gallons daily, twelve hundred and sixteen (1,216) dollars.

For thirty-two million gallons daily, twelve hundred and fifty-two (1,252) dollars.

For thirty-three million gallons daily, twelve hundred and eighty-eight (1,288) dollars.

For thirty-four million gallons daily, thirteen hundred and twenty-four (1,324) dollars.

For thirty-five million gallons daily, thirteen hundred and sixty (1,360) dollars.

For thirty-six millions gallons daily, thirteen hundred and ninety-two (1,392) dollars.

For thirty-seven million gallons daily, fourteen hundred and twenty-four (1,424) dollars.

For thirty-eight million gallion daily, fourteen hundred and fifty-six (1,456) dollars.

For thirty-nine million gallons daily, fourteen hundred and eighty-eight (1,488) dollars.

For forty million gallons daily, fifteen hundred and twenty (1,520) dollars.

For forty-one million gallons daily, fifteen hundred and forty-eight (1,548) dollars.

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For forty-three million gallons daily, sixteen hundred and four (1,604) dollars.

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For fifty million gallons daily, seventeen hundred and eighty-five (1,785) dollars.

And for each fractional portion of a million gallons (above twenty million) a pro rata price according to that rate per million gallons which the fractional part exceeds.

The above prices are circulated as follow:

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For each additional million gallons from twenty millions to twenty-five million gallons daily, at the rate of thirty-nine (39) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from twenty-five million to thirty million gallons daily at the rate of thirty-

eight (38) dollars per million gallons.

For each addional million gallons from thirty million to thirty-five million gallons daily, at the rate of thirty-six (36) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from thirty-five million to forty million gallons daily, at the rate of thirt-two ($32) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from forty million to forty-five million gallons daily, at the rate of twenty-eight ($28) dollars per million gallons.

For each additional million gallons from forty-five million to fifty million gallons daily at the rate of twenty-five ($25) dollars per million gallons.

For the plant, water supply, water rights, storage reservoirs, pipe lines, lands and rights of way, and all appurtenances and easements necessary to fulfill the requirements of this specification to the extent of fifty millions of gallons of water daily forever, which purchase can be made at any time within twenty years after first delivery of water.

With one supply main the sum of $7,950,000 (seven million, nine hundred and fifty thousand dollars).

We are willing to accept the payment as follows, in case purchase is made:—

Ten per cent. (10 p. c.) thereof in negotiable coupon water bonds of Jersey City of the denomination of one thousand dollars ($1,000) each bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. (4 p. c.) per annum, payable semi-annually, to run at least twenty (20) years—ninety per cent. (90 p. c.) thereof in cash.

The city having the right to agree with bidder as to whether payment shall be all cash or bonds, or in part cash and part bonds.

And that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby instructed to prepare, subject to approval by the Corporation Counsel, a contract and have the same executed.

JOHN M. JONES.
J. W. HARDENBERGH,

Mr. Simpson moved that the minority report be received and ordered filed

Mr. Hardenbergh moved to amend the motion by substituting for the word "filed" the words "entered in full upon the minutes."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller and Hardenbergh (4).

Nays—Mr. Simpson (1).

Absent—None.

The motion as amended (to receive the report and spread the same in full upon the minutes) was then adopted by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller and Hadenbergh (4).

Nays—Mr. Simpson (1).

Absent—None.

The Committee of the Whole also reported recommending, for the adoption by the Board of Finance, the following resolutions, which said report is signed by J. J. Detwiller, R. Simpson and J. S. Bailey, being a majority of the Committee of the Whole, and also endorsed by Messrs. J. J. Detwiller, R. Simpson and J. S. Bailey, constituting the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners August 13th, 1895, to-wit:—

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And that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby instructed to prepare, subject to approval by the Corporation Counsel, a contract and have the same executed.

Mr. Detwiller moved that the report of the Committee of the Whole be received and that the resolution contained therein be adopted by this Board.

The motion of Mr. Detwiller was adopted by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson (3).

Nays—President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh (2).

Absent—None.

Messrs. Detwiller and Simpson, explanatory of their votes, presented the following letter of explanation bearing

their signatures, which letter was, on motion of Mr. Simpson, received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes.

LETTER OF EXPLANATION.

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Finance, make the following statement as regards our position and consequent action on the vote for a new water supply:—

Our close attention to this important question and personal observation of the watersheds together with reports and statements made by the various bidders and their respective engineers, have convinced us that it would be to the interest of Jersey City to secure a water supply of the greatest possible areas so as to provide for the future growth and increased demand for water of our city, and to locate such supply at such a point where the city had the control of the entire shed.

The difference in the three bids offered as regards the watershed, sources of supply and cost is as follows:—

The Jersey City Water Company proposes to take the water from lakes and ponds of the Rockaway, and proposes storage capacity of 125,000 millions of gallons, which is unquestionable as pure and good water and free from any pollution as can be found anywhere, but the area is only 65 square miles, which some profess is not of sufficient size for our wants in the future.

The price of the proposed work is $7,950,000 for a single pipe line, the purchase of which is optional for twenty years, and is left to the vote of the people, as provided by the act of the Legislature. The price per million of gallons in the meantime is the lowest of all the bidders up to 38 million gallons daily.

The East Jersey Water Company proposes the entire Rockaway shed, including the lakes and ponds of the Jersey City Water Company, in all about 120 square miles of watershed for $9,000,000, but is indefinite as to the places where the water will be stored. The intake is from the Rockaway River above Boonton, but there is not provision made to prevent any possible pollution from the villages along this river.

The Rockaway and Hudson Company also propose the entire Rockaway shed, comprising about 120 square miles (including the entire shed of the Jersey City Water Co.), the intake to be from the river above Boonton, and from there conducted in steel pipes to a 75 feet deep reservoir at Montville, holding 2,500 millions of gallons, which is intended as a settling reservoir, and from which the main to the city is to be supplied.

They further propose other reservoirs in compliance with the specifications, and propose to build intercepting sewers along the Rockaway River to prevent any possible pollution from the towns above the intake. Their price is $5,650,000, subject to the vote of the people. The average price per million gallons is higher than the Jersey City Water Company up to 38 millions daily consumption, but is lower from 38 to 50 millions daily consumption.

The majority of the Board of Finance favored this last proposition on account of its lower price and apparent saving of $2,300,000, and on account of its great water shed and depository reservoirs offered. They urged it in conference before the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and by personal letters, before any contract was awarded, but its members seemed to be opposed to it and would not favor any supply from river water. A recommendation for an expert to point out to them the best and most advantageous supply, was disregarded and the Board decided to award the contract for a permanent supply to the Jersey City Water Company, and for a temporary supply to the East Jersey Water Company. These awards having been made on the basis of individual observation and personal judgment of the members only, it was thought by the Board of Finance that so important a question involving such large expenditure to purchase the works, which purchase could be submitted to the people for their vote at any time during the term of contract, should be advised by an expert engineer and that such an expert should be employed before their final action and to this the Board of Street and Water Commissioners agreed, but would not consent to abide by such expert's decision.

This Board interviewed several experts and each expert thought it required from three to four months to make the investigation and that the compensation should not be less than $5,000.

In an informal interview with the Mayor we were told that he would agree to no expert appointed by our Board and would trust to no one man to decide this question and that the only time to require an expert was when the contract was to be finally drawn, and that the expenditure of $5,000 for an expert was only a waste of money without accomplishing any practical result, and we were running the risk by delay of losing Bayonne, Kearny and Harrison and probably be obliged to pay more for our wants in the future by continuing the delay. We were further told by the Mayor that he would never agree as long as he was in office to any supply taken from the Rockaway River or from any river where there was any danger of pollution or where any sewerage was required to prevent it and furthermore that immediate action was necessary for the city's interest to hold our customers and give the people relief and that he had assurance that Hoboken could be supplied if we had a good water supply.

In regard to the temporary supply it is evident that the majority of our Board favors action in that regard as it will take two or three years to complete any new water supply. But the Board of Street and Water Commisioners and the Mayor hold that this award cannot be carried out unless the award for the permanent supply is concurred in. It is evident that the present mains between this city and Belleville are not of sufficient capacity to carry the water required for our city and that an additional main (costing $600,000) will have to be constructed, if no permanent contract is awarded. That the East Jersey Water Company will expend this money and construct that main on the strength of a one year's contract for a temporary supply as awarded by the Street and Water Commissioners is out of question, and if they simply connect their mains to the Belleville reservoir, it will not increase our supply or help us, except so far as to partially improve the quality of the water but will force us to build an additional main which may be useless if the water is taken from another source. Again, when we look to future legislation in this direction, we all know that for the last ten years the Legislature has given us no relief in the way of State aid. It has been tried to have the State condemn the northern water sheds for the benefit of the different cities in the State, but through the influence of water syndicates or other interested parties, all efforts were defeated. The prospect of the next Legislature is probably no better and particularly since Newark has her own water supply, we can get no help from Essex county and the corporations and syndicates will have a clear field again and we will be in a worse dilemna next year. The fact then before us is clear that our personal views cannot change the mind of the Street and Water Board nor the Mayor's and our board being invested only with concurring or non-concurring power, the question arises:—Can we afford to take the responsibility of defeating this contract by non-concurrence or sacrifice our personal views and feelings and give the city relief by concurrence?

We have tried every honorable way to have our views considered and failed on every side. When we hear our citizens say persistently "give us better water at any price", when our city is run down by our own and the outside public because of its poor water supply, when we see our houses empty and our population decreasing; when we see that we are losing both individual and municipal corporations as customers which will cause our revenues to decrease. when we know that in addition to the city's loss, that the individual loss to the citizens is enormous, and can charge all this disaster to a scanty and poor water supply in summer and insufficiency in winter, and a supply which in quality is condemned at all times, we think the moment has arrived when our personal views, our feelings, our conservative and cautious course must be sacrificed to the great and immediate wants of this city, and that it is therefore our duty to concur in the awards as made.

JACOB DETWILLER,
REUBEN SIMPSON.

The President then declared that the motion to receive the report of the Committee of the Whole, recommending the concurrence in the resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners August 13th, 1895, awarding to the Jersey City Water Company the contract to provide the material and furnish the labor and produce the result required in specifications heretofore approved for the furnishing of a new water supply for the city on the basis of and in accordance with the specification and plan and standard submitted by said company, and at the price named in their "Bid B," &c., was duly adopted, and that the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners adopted August 13th, 1895, was duly concurred in.

The Committee of the Whole further reported recommending, for the adoption by the Board of Finance, the following resolution, which said report is signed by all the members of the Board, (Messrs. Jones, Bailey, Hardenbergh, Simpson and Detwiller), and also endorsed by J. J. Detwiller, R. Simpson and J. S. Bailey, constituting the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners August 13th, 1895, to-wit:—

That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance a contract to provide a new water supply for Jersey City be awarded to the East Jersey Water Company, the contract to run for the term of one year from delivery of water and for such additonal term as may be agreed upon between this Board nd said company, the water to be furnished to be the Pequannock water taken from the pipe line carrying water from Pequannock River to Newark; the said supply to be furnished Jersey City by gravity and to be so much or all of said water as the city of Jersey City requires after the supply of such water has been furnished to the city of Newark and other consumers supplied through said pipe now having the first right to draw therefrom to the extent of their contract requirements, at the following prices, as stated in supplemental proposition No. 1 of the bid of the East Jersey Water Company, as referred to in supplemental proposition No. 4 of said company, viz:—

For water delivered at a minimum consumption of twenty million gallons per day, so that a maximum supply of fifty million gallons per day can be furnished using one supply main capable of delivering fifty million gallons per day at the following schedule per million gallons:—

For each million gallons up to twenty million gallons daily, forty-three dollars, ($43.00.)

For twenty-one million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and eighty cents ($42.80.)

For twenty-two million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and sixty cents ($42.60.)

For twenty-three million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and forty cents, ($42.40.)

For twenty-four million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and twenty cents, ($42.20.)

For twenty-five million gallons daily, forty-two dollars, ($42.00.)

For twenty-six million gallons daily, forty dollars and fifty cents ($40.50.)

For twenty-seven million gallons daily, thirty-nine dollars and ten cents, $39.10.)

For twenty-eight million gallons daily, thirty-seven dollars and seventy cents, ($37.70.)

For twenty-nine million gallons daily, thirty-six dollars and thirty cents, ($36.30.)

For thirty million gallons daily, thirty-five dollars ($35.00.)

For thirty-one million gallons daily, thirty-three dollars and ninety cents, ($33.90.)

For thirty-two million gallons daily, thirty-two dollars and eighty cents, ($32.80.)

For thirty-three million gallons daily, thirty-two dollars, ($32.00.)

For thirty-four million gallons daily, thirty-one dollars and twenty cents, ($31.20.)

For thirty-five million gallons daily, thirty dollars and forty cents, ($30.40.)

For thirty-six million gallons daily, twenty-nine dollars and sixty cents, ($29.60.)

For thirty-seven million gallons daily, twenty eight dollars and ninety cents, ($28.90.)

For thirty-eight million gallons daily, twenty-eight dollars and twenty cents, ($28.20.)

For thirty-nine million gallons daily, twenty-seven dollars and forty-five cents, ($27.45.)

For forty million gallons daily, twenty-six dollars and eighty cents, ($26.80.)

For forty-one million gallons daily, twenty-six dollars and twenty cents, ($26.20.)

For forty-two million gallons daily, twenty-five dollars and sixty cents ($25.60.)

For forty-three million gallons daily, twenty-five dollars ($25).

For forty-four million gallons daily, twenty-four dollars and fifty cents ($24.50).

For forty-five million gallons daily, twenty-four dollars ($24).

For forty-six million gallons daily, twenty-three dollars and sixty cents ($23.60).

For forty-seven million gallons daily, twenty-three dollars and twenty cents ($23.20).

For forty-eight million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars and eighty cents ($22.80).

For forty-nine million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars and forty cents ($22.40).

For fifty million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars ($22).

And for each fractional portion of a million gallons, (above twenty millions) a pro rata price according to that rate per million gallons, which the fractional part exceeds.

The quarterly bills shall be made up as follows: The entire quantity of water drawn in any one week shall be ascertained and divided by seven, which will give the daily consumption for that week, and the price shall be reckoned on that daily average.

And that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare, subject to the approval of the Corporation Counsel, a contract and have the same executed.

Mr. Simpson moved that the report of the Committee of the Whole be received and that the resolution contained therein be adopted by this Board.

The motion of Mr. Simpson was adopted by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:--

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The President then declared that the motion to receive the report of the Committee of the Whole, recommending the concurrence in the resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners August 13th, 1895, awarding to the East Jersey Water Company the contract to provide a new water supply for Jersey City, the contract to run for the term of one year from delivery of water, and for such additional term as may be agreed upon, &c., was duly adopted, and that the said resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, adopted August 13th, 1895, was duly concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK, Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, September 19, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the special meeting of September 4, 1895, and of the regular meeting of September 5, 1895, were approved as printed in manual form on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Petition of Percy A. Gaddis for the cancellation of erroneous assessments for water rents, subsequently adjusted.

Petition of John M. Jones for the return of $14.25 for duplicate payment of water rents for 1894 on Lot B, Block 74, No. 83 Jones street, paid June 30, 1894, and June 30, 1894.

Petition of Margaret McAllister for the return of $74.82, surplus paid in redemption of lands sold for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc.

Petition of P. D. Van Cleef for the return of $18.30 for duplicate payment of water rents for year 1895.

Petition of John M. Jones for the return of $2.75 for duplicate payment of taxes for year 1894.

Petition of John M. Jones for the return of $1.37 for payment in error of taxes for year 1894.

Petition of Abraham Van Horne (attorney of William Bender) to have returned $45.60 for erroneous assessment for water rents paid for years 1891, 1892, 1893 and 1894.

Petition of Carl G. A. Schuman, attorney for estate of Gustave Schuman, for the return of $57.00 water rents paid in error.

Communication from Lafayette Republican Battery relative to new water supply.

Received and ordered filed.

Communication from Paul F. Dorgeval requesting that certain interest paid by the estate of John D. Meyer and Henry Ranken on certain taxes be returned.

Received and ordered filed, and the Clerk of the Board directed to reply to same.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Jersey City News, $35.00, $52.50, $52.50 and $35.00; Albert Datz, $103.50; W. P. Douglass, $99.00; Andrew J. Boyle, $66.00; F. P. Van Sann, $25.00; C. S. Westervelt, $30.00; John J. Walsh, $19.20; Randolph Perkins, $49.75; New Jersey Title Guarantee and Trust Company, $1,065.50; Hugo Mootz, $1.85; J. W. Harrison, $139.20; Chronicle Publishing Company, $5.00, $16.00 and $34.00; New York and New Jersey Telephone Company, $5.00.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Corporation Counsel:—

The Corporation Counsel, to whom was referred the petition of Michael Flaherty (received by the Board of Fire Commissioners and referred to this Board), requesting that provision be made to pay $25 for damage done to his crops on June 9, 1895, by the Jersey City Fire Department, in crossing his market garden, on the occasion of the fire on the bridge foot of Chapel avenue, verbally advised this Board (Board of Finance) that Mr. Flaherty had no legal claim against the Board of Finance, and recommended that the petition be returned to the Board of Fire Commissioners.

The verbal opinion of the Corporation Counsel was received, and the Clerk of this Board was directed to return the petition of Mr. Flaherty to the Board of Fire Commissioners.

From the City Collector:—

Jersey City, Sept. 16, 1895.

To the Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—This is to certify that I have received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for collection in my office the following Assessment Maps.

Sewer in Zabriskie street, Summit avenue to Sanford place	$3,384
Sewer in Wavely street, 500 feet east of Central avenue to Central avenue	1,870
Sewer in Montrose avenue to Carleton avenue to Sanford place	2,443
Sewer in Central avenue, Congress street, to North street, etc	3,663
Change of grade Columbia avenue, Zabriskie street, to 50 feet north of Lincoln street	460
Sewer in Highland avenue, Boulevard to West Side avenue	3,020
Sewer in Van Reipen place, Academy street to Stuyvesant avenue	2,296

S. H. SMITH,
City Collector.

Received and ordered filed.

From the City Clerk:—

Jersey City, Sept. 10, 1895.

To the Hon. Board of Finance:

Gentlemen—Block 8, Lot 6, Van Cleef street, or Block new No. 1,335, Lot 6, was assessed twice, being a duplicate assessment in the name of Caffrew, and of McCaffrey from 1873 to 1880. Receipted bills for taxes on this property from 1873 to 1880, inclusive, have been produced in this office today by Mr. Randolph Perkins, attorney for the owner. The duplicate was adjusted in Report No. 94 of Martin Act Commissioners, which was an error, and a tax sale made of same April 16, 1895, to F. L. Holt, No. 19 Lexington avenue, for $41.88. The owner desires that the sale

may be set aside and cancelled and the purchase money returned to the purchaser.

Respectfully,
EDWARD W. WOOLLEY,
City Clerk.

Sale No. 5,526.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

From His Honor the Mayor:—

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
Jersey City, September 16, 1895.

To the Honorable Board of Finance of Jersey City, N. J.:—

Gentlemen:—I have considered the two resolutions adopted by your Board at your meeting of September 5, 1895, and presented to me for official action on September 9, 1895, relating to a new water supply, the one awarding a contract to the Jersey City Water Company for a supply by the million gallons for twenty-five (25) years, with the option contained in the proposal to purchase the plant, etc., if the people so vote; and the other for a one year's supply of water by the million gallons by contract with the East Jersey Water Company.

The resolution awarding a contract for a new water supply to the Jersey City Water Company being the more important as to whether I sign it or veto it, gives me the occasion to say that the mere fact that the resolution is before me is evidence that the attempt to get a new water supply has gone through the developments incident to large and important municipal undertakings, with the usual resistance always met with in such matters, and is now left for me to decide.

The people have had the question so continuously before them that they can recall all the various conditions which have surmounted the efforts to bring about its settlement.

Upon the reception of the recent bids and before any conclusion was reached by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, the question became so confused in the public mind by the attitude of the two newspapers in their discussion of it, and by the issuance of the unofficial letter of four members of the Board of Finance, that it is more difficult to set the public right as to my position and the reasons therefor than it is to dispose of the matter in my own mind.

The public are entitled to know, and I am entitled to have them remember, that the city officials cannot bond the city for the new water supply. The laws bearing upon their course in this matter give them the right to purchase water by the gallon only, but permit the voters to settle the question "for" or "against" the purchase of the water works, etc., at the price named, in the option contained in the contract by the majority of their suffrages on either side of that question when submitted to them at a general or special election.

The statement of this fact disposes of all the unnecessary criticisms that the officials were increasing the debt of the city in any amount by the making of this contract, and demonstrates how much more valueless is the criticism which makes a comparison of the option price of sale between a contractor's offer which was not selected and the contractor's offer which was.

I have had published in the two local daily newspapers during the last four days of the week ending September 14, 1895, a notice explaining that the city officials could only buy measured water, and that the people by their votes are the sole authority intrusted by law to decide the question of purchasing the works which supply the water by the gallon. I trust that there will be no further attempts made to state that the officials are issuing or about to issue bonds creating an additional permanent debt. All that the city officials can do is to obligate the city to pay for as many gallons of water as it buys, and to increase the water rents, or taxes, or both, if necessary, to meet the yearly bills for measured water. It must be remembered that any argument as to the merits of the recent proposals for a new water supply submitted to the Board of Street and Water Commisioners on July 1, 1895, could have been made with any emphasis before that Board, as they were charged with the duty of making the selection; when the award was made and came before the Board of Finance the argument was reduced to the question of the advisability of concurrence, and the argument before me is reduced to the question as to whether the proposed contract is advantageous to the city. This has not been the method of treating the question by those who have been so much in evidence in this matter. Their plan has been to threaten the Board of Street and Water Commissioners in order to force them to award the contract to the Rockaway and Hudson Water Company, and to forestall the action of the Board of Finance by obtaining an unofficial approval of that company's plan before decisive action on the part of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners. And when the award was made to the Jersey City Water Company by that Board, was concurred in by the Board of Finance, and was presented to me, the slight argument that seemed visible through the incongruous speeches delivered by the few who appeared before me at the public hearing held on September 13, 1895, was not whether the water and the prices of the Jersey City Water Company's proposal were advantageous to the city, but that I should defer action; and again was used the statement that I should not sign the resolution before me because it would put a debt on

the city of $7,950,000.00, which was the price of the option on the plant, etc. It was argued that this price was some $2,000,000.00 higher than the price of the option of the water works in the proposal of the Rockaway and Hudson Company, and that therefore, if I signed the resolution, I would do so with the knowledge that a rejected proposal was some $2,000,000.00 cheaper than the one which the resolution before me accepted as the basis of an award of contract. The first argument was unsupported by any facts, and when I interrupted the person first making it that day I obtained an immediate acquiescence to my statement that I had nothing to do with the purchase of the water works but simply with the purchase of the water by the gallon. The statement was then made that if I signed the resolution to purchase the water by the gallon, I made it possible for the people to vote at some future time to purchase the plant, works, etc. That is true, and I am content to leave it to them, and if the question had been debated upon that line during the past six weeks by those who appeared before me, no exception could be taken to such discussion, but to have to force them to this position was no pleasure to me, as it has seemed to me a pitiable sight to see people who knew or could learn the facts, make such unsupported statements, which were as short lived as the time it takes to present the facts with which to controvert them. The public knows that the issuing of the bonds to purchase the water works first becomes a debatable question when they agitate to buy them in order to stop the payment of measured water.

The statement concerning the difference in the price of the option in a rejected proposal and the accepted one is the result of the agitation—which, having misused the facts within the law, has also incorrectly used the specifications and proposals. The city asked for proposals in which there were certain prescribed requisites, such as that the water should be as good as a given standard of purity; that it should be delivered by gravity at High Service; that it should be delivered at a certain head of pressure; that there should be at least one hundred (100) days' storage, etc.; the specifications being so planned that any bidder desiring to offer a proposal could do so. Three did so and complied with the requirements of the specifications, in which alone appears a necessary similarity in order to be formal but otherwise the plans were as distinct and different as the bidders were within the knowledge of the officials. Yet it is attempted to discuss these bids as if each was alike the other and consequently that the prices (of the option) in each were the only matters in which the proposals differ.

Perhaps the opposition to the acceptance of the bid of the Jersey City Water Company is directed to ascertain my views as to the merits of the proposal of the Rockaway and Hudson Water Company. Upon that I can readily inform them by saying that no proposition to furnish water from any source equally liable to sewer pollution and offered with a sewer as an integral part of the primary plan, as is the case of the Rockaway and Hudson Company's offer, could receive my approval, while any possible source of supply remained available free from that danger and objection. I believe that such a source is available and is offered in the proposal now before me, and the confusion which has been attempted in the present discussion is cleared to that extent.

I am perfectly convinced that the people of this city want a new water supply, and I am equally sure that the cost of the water by the gallon will make the water rents or taxes higher than they think, but because of the universal desire and absolute need of a new water supply, I have been a part of the recent efforts to settle the matter. Notwithstanding the not uncertain expression only as lately as the last spring election of the public desire for new water, it may seem surprising to some that so little positive assistance has been offered to settle the matter by the general public. To me there is nothing strange about it, as the subject has been agitated so many years; maps, statistics, plans, arguments and claims have been made by parties as their various interests prompted them to state their views, until it seems to those who have not kept up or had to keep up a continuous study of the subject to form a maze of insolvable data. As Mayor, I received my first lesson by signing the first set of specifications in the early part of my term and visiting the water sheds offered by the bidders at that time; and if the 180,000 people comprising the population of the city had visited the various sheds and considered the present bids, I am confident that this matter would be solved if in their hands as it will be settled by me at this time. It is because they have not seen these water sheds and examined the plans that I have decided to file this memoranda giving my reasons for my action on the resolutions before me. I have repeatedly inspected the water sheds of New Jersey with three (3) differently constituted Boards of Street and Water Commissioners and two (2) different Boards of Finance. As I viewed these sheds, it became more and more evident that the so-called "Rivers" in each shed were mere brooks of no importance in their running condition for a water supply and only valuable as the methods used for storing the water from them and their tributaries for available use were complete and comprehensive, and that the water

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when so stored was more desirable when gathered free from sewer pollution. I have made this known at all times and in all places since my first visit to the first water shed offered since I entered office, and I reassert it as a fixed principle that has guided me in my action on a new water supply, that the supply must be absolutely free from pollution.

I have kept constantly before me the determination first to obtain the proper kind of water, and secondly to determine whether the price was fair, rather than to obtain unsatisfactory water at a cheap price. Believing that the water offered by the Jersey City Water Company is so gathered in its present shed above the sources or even danger of pollution, both present and future, and of a quality above the standard required by the specifications, and that the price per gallon is a very reasonable one, I readily conclude that it is to the advantage of the city for me to approve the resolution awarding that company the contract.

I might say in passing that I do not know what is meant by any discussion on this matter which directs attention to questions of price of purchase options and nothing more. None of the bidders' plans are identical, the statutes are absolutely silent as to the manner in which a conclusion may be arrived at, and it would indeed be unfortunate if the discretion based on the best effort to decide correctly was denied to officials empowered to make a contract, and the city and its officials placed at the mercy of a contractor offering a water supply based primarily and only on a question of cost.

TEMPORARY SUPPLY.

I have never advocated any temporary supply available from the Newark supply surplus. I did not think it a well considered undertaking on the part of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners to make an award for such surplus, and as the Board of Finance has unanimously concurred in this award, I will state my reasons for believing it to be a very doubtful expedient, and why I have acted upon the resolution as I have.

Jersey City's present supply is pumped into the Belleville reservoir, and from both that and the High Service reservoirs the water is delivered by gravity to the city and its customers, excepting that portion of the city, or rather Hill section, which is supplied by the high duty pump at High Service. At the present time, as has been frequently stated, the pumps at the Belleville station keep the reservoir there full at all times, while the three mains across the meadows have not sufficient carrying capacity to keep the High Service reservoirs full, especially during seasons of unusual hot or cold weather. The accepted offer of the East Jersey Water Company is to deliver their temporary supply into the Belleville reservoir only. It can readily be seen that such a supply can only accomplish so far as sufficiency of supply is concerned the same as what our pumps are doing at the present time, viz.: fill the Belleville reservoir and leave the same scarcity of water in those portions of the city supplied by the High Service reservoirs and the high duty pump as at present exists. I know that many of our people who are now annoyed by the scarcity of water were deluded into the belief that the temporary supply would afford them immediate relief and were most earnest in their advocacy of my approving of that resolution to the exclusion of the other—while such an action would not have obtained for them what they need. While those who were not so circumstanced agitated the matter on the same lines, forgetting that such a supply would not reduce in any way except at Belleville the cost of maintaining the water department and even there only a small fraction as against an additional outlay by the city of $313,900.00 per annum for twenty million gallons of water per day at $43 per million gallons. When it is considered that the water offered must be mixed with the Passaic water and supplied, too, at a cost of $43 per million gallons as against about $22 per million as at present furnished, that the cost of coal, oil, labor, materials and of everything now in use to maintain the water department was not to be materially reduced; and when these conditions are coupled with the fact that two of our present customers, Kearny and Bayonne, have made contracts for independent supplies, and that Harrison is now considering a proposition from the East Jersey Water Company for a new supply, it seemed to me that none of these features had been considered by those who advocated the signing of that resolution, or by the members of the Board of Finance, who unanimously voted for its adoption. So that it can readily be seen that the disposition of the resolution was a matter of greater concern and much more troublesome to me than the resolution awarding the contract to the Jersey City Water Company, especially in view of the almost unanimous desire for immediate relief which had sprung up without any calculation having been made as to its cost or results. The question of insufficient mains between Belleville and High Service could be obviated by the immediate construction of the pipe necesssary for the twenty-five (25) years supply, but no reliance can be put on this as a solution of the difficulty as the resolution awarding the contract for that supply will be taken into the Courts for review.

On Saturday last I reviewed all the difficulties in the way of the temporary supply with the counsel of the East Jer-

sey Water Company on the basis of a contract for one year, and with the following result:— It was agreed that Harrison as a customer should go to the company or remain with the city, each trying to secure its custom; that the rights of the city's contract with Kearny are to be in no way abridged by my considering the resolution awarding the contract to the East Jersey Water Company for a temporary supply with this city, and should Harrison make a contract with that company the difference in price paid by Jersey City to the company for its supply and the price paid to the company by these towns should be paid to the city; that the water instead of being delivered into the Belleville reservoir could be delivered into one or all of the mains crossing the meadows so that the city could utilize the head of the Pequannock or Newark supply—in case the main or mains could stand the pressure—so that more water can be carried in the mains—if they withstand the pressure—and sufficient water diverted into the High Service stand pipe to avoid the continuous use of the pump there, and that in that event the water could be diverted into the Belleville reservoir for a reserve supply. I have doubts as to whether this result can be reached—if it cannot be accomplished—it will be an expensive experiment; but as it is the only way of obtaining speedy relief at less than at the prohibitive cost which would result from the adoption of the plan originally contemplated by the award, and as I have overcome some of the difficulties stated before, I have decided to approve of the resolution with the conditions made by me, inasmuch as if the results are not satisfactory it need not be repeated beyond the year.

I am unable to understand why the majority of the Board of Finance who voted against the advertising for proposals under the present specifications and who voted against buying water by the gallon from the Jersey City Water Company should favor the temporary supply in view of the difficulties already stated and in view of the fact that the Jersey City Company's award will give water of one kind pure and delivered at High Service through the new main at $39.75 per million gallons, doing away with all pumping, labor, coal, etc., while the East Jersey Water Company's supply is at a cost of $43 per million gallons delivered, as I have stated. It is a matter worth noticing in passing that throughout all the years of the water agitation the East Jersey Water Company has been the particular mark for anyone to attack, and that most of the attacking groups and individuals are now the advocates of its temporary supply—a fact which proves to my mind that too emphatic opinions, while they may be popular, need not be taken as necessary guides to action.

I have thus given my reasons for signing the resolutions and I can safely add that I believe that the same orderly procedure that has characterized this whole matter will now go on until it is finally settled.

No contract will be drawn or attempted until all persons desiring to review either resolution in the courts have had full opportunity to do so. I have been told that the resolution will be taken to the courts and I think that everyone will be glad to see that done—especially the officials—as such an action will establish the construction of the laws of last winter, (1895) under which the water has been bought by them and under which the purchase of works can be voted upon by the people. While these laws are being construed in the courts, those who find the Grand Jury a tribunal best suited to their purposes can ventilate and investigate the matter from end to end. This should be done at once if it is intended to ever do it. It must be remembered that the law gives me an absolute discretion to sign the contract, and I will hold myself in readiness to take advantage of every fact and thing coming to my notice, and if anything should develop that will justify me in the interests of the city to withhold my signature from either contract, I will do so. Some criticism entirely unjustified has been leveled at two of the members of the Board of Finance, who were signers of the informal letter signed by four (4) members of that board and sent to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners in their individual capacity, favoring one bid and requesting the appointment of an expert; and then at a later time in a meeting of their board after the Street and Water Board had acted by voting an award of contract. The first action was outside of their proceedings as Commissioners, outside of their duty and not within the limits of their legal powers; their action at their meeting was within the province of their official powers and duty.

If that informal letter and the unofficial effort contained therein is fully considered these two commissioners are entitled to no criticism for occupying their places formally in the board and voting as they should—either to nonconcur or concur in the award before them. If the suggestion to act in either manner, but to act—be interference, I take the responsibility for it. Had I known that the informal letter would be written my advice would have been freely given against such action.

I have been much interested in watching the development of this matter.

The first award of a water contract was made by the Street and Water Board appointed by me and was to the Jersey City Water Company; which was non-concurred in by the

Board of Finance also appointed by me, because it believed that the water shed was insufficient. As the legislation of the previous year had directed the election of their successors, the present Board was nominated in open convention and went before the people on the main issue of purchasing water by the gallon by contract, and were elected. This Board unanimously awarded a contract to the same company, making the same offer as before with an enlarged water shed, and in addition thereto awarded a contract for a temporary supply, the Board of Finance appointed by me—by a vote of three (3) to two (2) concurred in the award of contract for a twenty-five (25) year supply, and by an unanimous vote concurred in the award of contract for a temporary supply, and the matter having come to me in that way has received the review I have given it. I cannot see how an important question could more thoroughly receive the individual impress of official opinion, both in an individual and collective capacity than has been shown in the present instance.

Very respectfully,
PETER F. WANSER,
Mayor.

On motion of Mr Simpson the communication from His Honor the Mayor was received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes and filed.

The following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and requring the concurrence of this Board were received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Ordering paid certain claims.
(Adopted September 17, 1895.)

2. Awarding to Charles Kuederly the contract for resetting three boilers at the Belleville Pumping Station, as per price named in his proposal, $1,817, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed contract for the same.

(Adopted September 17, 1895.)

3. Fixing the salary of James H. Post, appointed coal passer (vice William Carey), September 10, 1895, at $2 per day when engaged.

(Adopted September 10, 1895.)

4. To advertise for bids to furnish and deliver fire brick, fire clay, Portland cement and building sand in conformity with specifications submitted August 13, 1895.

(Adopted September 10, 1895.)

5.To advertise for bids to erect an addition to the "stand pipe" at High Service in accordance with specifications.

(Adopted September 10, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and WaterCommissioners be concurred in:—

1. Awarding to Charles Kuederly the contract for resetting three boilers at the Belleville Pumping Station as per price named in his proposal, $1,817.00, and that the Corporation Attorney be directed to prepare and have executed contract for the same.

(Adopted September 17, 1895.)

2. To advertise for bids to erect an addition to the "Stand Pipe" at High Service in accordance with specifications.

(Adopted September 17, 1895.)

3. To advertise for bids to furnish and deliver fire brick, fire clay, Portland cement and building sand in conformity with specifications submitted August 13, 1895.

(Adopted September 10, 1895.)

4. Fixing the salary of James H. Post, coal passer, (appointed September 10, 1895, vice Wm. Carey) at $2 per day

(Adopted September 10, 1895.)

5. Ordering paid the following claims:—
(Adopted August 27, 1895, etc.)

The Fairbanks Co., $101.50; G. A. Sofield. $15 and $5.60; W. J. Burns, $11.10 and $19.50; N. Y. &. N J. Telephone Co., $104 and $47.25; Vile & Miller, $21.44; George J Ackerman, $75; W. H. Rees, $4.50; Jos. Zumbusch, $5.35; J. S. McDonald, $8.68 and $20.69; Washburn Bros. & Co., $10; A. Gilbert, $33.

The report was received and resolutionse were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays of the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending that resolutions be adopted ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account Fees from Criminal Courts.)

J. Herbert Potts, fees as Judge First Criminal Court, to August 29, 1895, $240.

James F. Norton, fees as Clerk, First Criminal Court, to August 29, 1895, $160.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

Th Committee on Salaries and Claims reported, recommending that resolutions be adopted ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account Martin Act):

Jersey City News, for advertising "Martin Act" notices, Nos. 4,991 and 4,992, $35.

Jersey City News, for advertising "Martin Act" notices, Nos. 4,223, 2,844 and 2,843, $52.50.

Jersey City News, for advertising "Martin Act" notices, Nos. 5,010, 5,013 and 5,024, $52.50.

Jersey City News, for advertising "Martin Act" notices, Nos. 4,961 and 3,165, $35.

F. P. Van Saun, typewriting for the month of September, 1895, when due, $25.

C. S. Westervelt, for itemizing Commissioners of Adjustment reports for the month of September, 1895, when due, $30.

John J. Walsh, for serving "Martin Act" notices, $19.20.

Randolph Perkins, for serving "Martin Act" notices, Nos. 5,064, 5,067, 5,072 and 5,032, $49.75.

N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., for searching titles under "Martin Act" $1,065.50.

Chronicle Publishing Company, for manilla envelopes for use under "Martin Act," $5.

The report was received, and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones, and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims further reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

1. Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of September, 1895, when due, to wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney for cleaning rooms.

$40 to Charles Golden for tending fires.

2. Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of September, 1895, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City News, $229.16.

The Evening Journal, $229.16.

The J. C. Herald, $229.16.

3. Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of N. P. Wedin for $70 for services as assistant clerk to the District Court during the month of September, 1895, when due (to be paid only out of District Court Fees).

4. Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Albert Payne for $66.66, for services as Marshal to the Second District Court, during the month of September, 1895, when due (to be paid only out of District Court Fees).

5. Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of September, 1895, when due, as follows:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Gough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to Wm. F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to Stehen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clek to City Collector.

$100 to Charles F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John H. McCutcheon, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burnes, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Furey, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James Clark, Clerk to City Clerk

$150 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$100 to William C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$75 to Edward P. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported, recommending that resolutions be adopted ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account printing, stationery, etc., year 1894-1895.)

Hugo Mootz, lock smith, work in office of Mayor, City Collector and City Comptroller, $1.85.

J. W. Harrison, for stationery and printing for City Collector, $139.20.

Chronicle Publishing Company for warrant books furnished to City Clerk, $16.

Chronicle Publishing Company for 500 copies book, unpaid taxes and assessments, $34.

N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., for telephone tolls, office of Corporation Counsel from March 1 to June 1, 1895, $5.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenburgh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $113,350.00, to be deposited to the credit of October, 1895, Interest, as follows:—

On Genral Account.....	$33,975 00
On General Account, to pay interest due on Assessment Bonds	36,725 00
On Water Account.....	42,650 00
Total	$113,350 00

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector ,for the sum of $40,000, on account of County Taxes, 1894.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $229,275.18, in full payment of State School Taxes of 1894.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, to transfer from Adjusted Liens Account collections made August 8, 1895, to September 18, 1895, inclusive, as follows:—

To General Account, Adjusted Taxes, 1894, $8,012.02.

To General Account, Adjusted Taxes, 1893, $8,868.47.

To General Account, Advertising Tax Sale, $128.

To Tax Arrearage Fund 1893, Adjusted Taxes, 1893, $228.97.

To Tax Arrrearage Fund 1892, Adjusted Taxes 1892, $12,958.37.

To Tax Arrearage Fund 1891, Adjusted Taxes 1891, $4,552.28.

To Tax Arrearage Fund 1890, Adjusted Taxes 1890, $$3,833.96.

To Tax Arrearage Fund 1889, Adjusted Taxes 1889, $5,376.40.

To Tax Arrearage Fund 1888, Adjusted Taxes 1888, $4,776.94.

To Tax Arrearage Fund, Adjusted Taxes 1875 to 1887, $10,597.79.

To Tax Arrearage Fund, Interest on Adjusted Taxes, $3,785.92.

To Fund 1873, Adjusted Taxes 1873 and 1874, $14.25.

To Fund 1873, Adjusted Taxes 1872 and previous years, $15.78

To Assesment Account, Adjusted Assessments, $14,190.03.

To Water Account, Adjusted Water Rents, $1,955.68. Total, $79,264.86.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, An error has ben made, as appears by the certificate of the Water Assessor, in assessing for year 1894, water rents against Lot 32, Block 391 (No. 343 Eighth street), for water used in a "milk depot," situated on the premises since October 15, 1894, when on said date the "milk depot" was removed; therefore,

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Frank J. Matthews, agent of Peter Roberts for $8.15 to return overcharge for water rents paid for year 1894, on Lot part 32, Block 391 (No. 343 Eighth street)

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, An error has been made as appears by the certificate of the Water Assessor, in assessing for water rents for year 1895, against Lot D, Block 102 (No. 101 Montgomery street) water used in front building at $11.40, when the assessment should have been $9.50, therefore

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James H. Love, agent of M. J. Elkins, for $1.90 to return overcharge for water rents paid for year 1895, on Lot D, Block 102 (No. 101 Montgomery street).

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, The Water Assessor erroneously assessed for water rents Lot 7, Block 1334, (No. 59 Fulton avenue) for years 1894 and 1895, and Lot 8, Block 1384, (No. 61 Fulton avenue), for water used in two buildings, of dimensions each, 25 feet front, when the assessment should have been on two buildings of 18 feet frontage, therefore

Resolved, That a warant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Samuel C. Mount for $5.66 to return the following erroneous assessments paid for water rents.

Lot 7, Block 1334, No. 59 Fulton avenue for year 1894..... 71
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Lot 8, Block 1334, No. 61 Fulton avenue for year 1894..... 1 65
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By Mr. Hardenburgh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John M. Jones for $14.25 for duplicate payment of water rents for year 1894 on Lot B, Block 74, No. 83 Jones street, paid June 30, 1894, being duplicate of payment made June 30, 1894.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John M. Jones for $1.37 for payment of taxes paid in error for year 1894, on Lot 1, instead of Lot 12, Block 985, Tonnelle avenue, paid December 29, 1894.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John M. Jones for $2.75 for duplicate payment of taxes for year 1894 on Lot 1, Block 910, Tonnelle avenue, paid January 22, 1895, being duplicate of payment made December 29, 1894.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of P. D. Van Cleef for $18.30 for duplicate payment of water rents for year 1895, on Lot B, Block 237, Barrow street, paid July 6, 1895, being duplicate of payment made May 23, 1895.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That upon the reports of the Corporation Counsel and City Comptroller, endorsed upon the petition of Margaret McAllister, a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Margaret McAllister for seventy-four dollars and eighty-two cents, for amount of surplus realized upon the tax sale, under Chapter 112, of the Laws of 1886, and the supplements thereto made by the City Collector on April 16, 1895, of Lots 13, 14 and 15, Block 1,323, Stegman street, over and above the sum as adjusted due the city, with interest, cost and disbursements.

By Mr. Hardenburgh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasury to the order of the Commissioners of Adjustment for $7,500, out of proceeds of and collections from adjusted city liens for taxes, tax sales, assessments and water rents, said sum being required by said Commissioners of Adjustment to properly perform and carry out the provisions of the act creating said Commissioners.

By Mr. Hardenburgh:—

Whereas, The City Collector did, on April 16, 1895, sell to Frank L. Holt, No. 19 Lexington avenue, Lot 6, Block 1335, for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc., sale No. 5526, and

Whereas, It appears from statement made by Edward W. Woolley, City Clerk, that the taxes for the years 1873 to 1880, inclusive, are duplicates, said property having been twice assessed, and once paid, therefore the liens as adjusted in report No. 94 for said years should be cancelled, and

Whereas, The assessment for the improvement of Ocean avenue, on said property, was paid September 10, 1895 (said assessment having also been included in said sale of April 16, 1835), therefore, be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Frank L. Holt for the sum of $72.88, to refund amount of $41.88 paid City Collector as purchase money (and $31 expenses for search and notices) for said Lot 6, Block 1335, and be it further

Resolved, That the City Clerk of Jersey City be and he is hereby directed to cancel the record of said sale and that the warrant hereby authorized to be issued shall be delivered only upon the surrender of Certificate of Sale No. 2,605, said certificates to be cancelled forthwith.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, The taxes for 1881 and 1882 on the property of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, known as the "Grain Elevator," have been declared illegal by the Supreme Court of this State, and such judgment affirmed by the Court of Errors; and

Whereas, Notwithstanding this action of the Courts the property aforesaid has been assessed regularly from year to year from 1883 to 1889 inclusive, the amount of such taxes aggregating the sum of $121,550; therefore

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby directed to cancel the following assesments for taxes on the property of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company known as the "Grain Elevator," year 1883, $18,040; 1884, $16,390; 1885, $17,520; 1886, $17,640; 1887, $17,280; 1888, $17,880, and 1889, $16,800, said taxes having been illegally assessed, and that the City Comptroller be also notified.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, The City Collector did on April 24, 1894, sell to the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City Lots 14 and 15, Waverly street, in Block 708, for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc.; and

Whereas, It appears from statements made in the application this day made by Percy A. Gaddis (for the purpose of having the amount of water rents which were included in said sale, amounting to $69.85, cancelled or set aside also by affidavits of two persons that said lots 14 and 15 are vacant and have been

vacant from 1885 to the present time, and therefore not liable for water assessments; and

Whereas, By the certificate of the City Comptroller the following water rents were included in the purchase of said lots by the city of unpaid adjusted taxes, etc., viz:—

Water rents for year 1887, $21.25.
Water rents for year 1888, $13.20.
Water rents for year 1889, $12.50.
Water rents for year 1890, $11.80.
Water rents for year 1891, $11.10.
Total, $69.85.

Therefore, be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $89.25 (being $69.85 and interest on said amount, May 16, 1892, to April 24, 1894, at 7 per cent., and from April 24, 1894, to September, 24, 1895, at 10 per cent.) said warrant to be used only in part payment for the redemption of said lots 14 and 15, Block 708, sold to the city April 24, 1894.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Wednesday, September 25, 1895, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson, (4).

Absent—Mr. Bailey, (1).

The call for the meeting, signed by Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson, and which was for the transaction of "General Business" was read.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 19 was dispensed with on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of the Erie Transfer Co. for the return of certain sums for erroneous assessments for water rents.

Of Thomas Howe to have corrected certain assessments for taxes year 1893.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies:—

J. W. Harrison, $6.11; John J. O'Hara, $40; J. C. News, $82.50 and $10; Louisa S. Losey, $16.60.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1. Resolution requesting that certain transfers from the election account for the present year be made.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

2. To assign certain certificates of tax sales.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners.

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance:—

1. Awarding to M. Mullery the contract for the construction of a lateral sewer in St. Paul's avenue, from a point about 75 feet east of Central avenue and connecting with sewer in Oakland avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

2. Awarding to James J. Harrington the contract for the improvement of Van Winkle street, between the Hudson County Public Road and Ferris street, and Ferris street from Van Winkle street to Newark avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

3. Awarding to James J. Harrington the contract for the construction of a 15-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Garrison avenue, from Bond street to and connecting with sewer in Stuyvesant avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

4. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Wilkes street, between Sip avenue and Hudson County public road, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted, September 24, 1895.)

5. Awarding to Joseph H. Jones the contract for the improvement of Fairmount avenue, between Hudson County Public Road and Westside avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.

6. Fixing the salary of Samuel F. Holmes (vice M. B. Foley), fireman at Belleville appointed this day, at $65.00 per month when engaged.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

7. Fixing the salary of Edward Corbett (vice Samuel F. Holmes promoted), coal passer at Belleville at $2.00 per day when engaged, appointed this day.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the claim of W. W. Farrier, $6.02.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

9. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters for the month of September, 1895, when due, as per pay roll, amounting to $540.00.

(Adopted Sept. 24, 1895.)

10. Ordering paid the salaries of Water Registrar, etc., in the Water Department, for the month of September, 1895, when due, as per payroll, amounting to $3,018.31.

(Adopted Sept. 24, 1895.)

The following resolution was also received from the same Board and referred to the Committee on Finance:—

Requesting that the Board of Finance appropriate the sum of $3,500 in addition to the present appropriation for cleaning sewers.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, be concurrred in:—

1. Ordering paid the salaries of Water Registrar, etc., $3,018.31, and laborers on meters, $540.00 for the month of September, 1895, when due as per pay-rolls.

(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

2. Fixing the salary of Samuel F. Holmes (vice M. B. Foley), fireman at Belleville, appointed this day at $65 per month, when engaged.

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(Adopted September 24, 1895.)

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson, (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey, (1).

The same committee also reported, recommending that the resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen September 24, 1895, assigning certain certificates of tax sale to Frank B. Evans and Margaret Burke be concurred in.

The report was received and the resolution was concurred in by the same vote as above on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims, (all chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, etc. year 1894-1895):—

J. W. Harrison, Stationery supplies, for Mayor's office, $6.11.

John J. O'Hara, printing, etc., for Board of Finance, $40.

J. C. News, for advertising the Mayor's notice to the public, relative to the resolutions presented to him for his approval for a new water supply, $82.50.

J. C. News, printing manual pages, (pages 55, 57, 59 and 62), $10.

Louisa S. Losey, services as stenographer in Mayor's office, $16.60.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—(4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—(1).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh, and Simpson—(4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey—(1).

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrant No. 91 for $85, and warrant No. 90 for $45, both drawn to the order of "Unknown," and for lands taken in widening of Noble street, be and are hereby ordered delivered to William J. Farrell, satisfactory proof having been produced that the said William J. Farrell is justly entitled to receive the money called for in the above mentioned warrants; a bond of indemnity in the sum of $260 having also been filed with the City Comptroller to save harmless the Mayor and Aldermen from and against any other claim or demand whatsoever for said warrants.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to make the following transfers, account Board of Aldermen, (present fiscal year's appropriations):—

$600 from Election Account to account Gas and Supplies for Armories.

$600 from Election Account to account Light and Heat for City Hall.

$1,400 from Election Account to account Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Charles H. Wilcox for $604.60, to return duplicate payment of water rents for 1895, on lots A to U, 9,10, 11 and A to K blocks 418 and 355, paid July 13, 1895, being duplicate of payment made June 26, 1895, including overcharges aggregating $8 on lots S, N and D, block 418 and lot C, block 355.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Martin Albrecht for $8.50, to return amount inadvertently paid for taxes, year 1892, on lots west ½ 45 and east ½ 47, block 1,379 Pamrapo avenue, the City Attorney having certified that said property has not "changed hands," and no liens have been placed on same since the payment of the bill, December 13, 1892.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of E. C. Van Buskirk, for $167.51 to return amount inadvertently paid for water rents on Lots 6 and 7, Block 1272, Bergen avenue, as follows:—

Lots 6 and 7, for year 1890, $61; penalty, $1.83; interest, $4.56; total..... $67.39

Lot 6, for year 1891, $15.25, penalty, $1.25; interest, 0.46; total... 16.96

Lot 7, for year 1891, $15.25; penalty, 0.46; interest, $1.55; total..... 17.26

Lots 6 and 7, for year 1892, $30.50; penalty, 0.91, interest, 0.96; total..... 32.37

Lots 6 and 7, for year 1893, $30.50; penalty, 0.92; interest, $2.11; total..... 33.53

Total..... $167.51

The Corporation Counsel advising the return of said amount.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall, on Thursday, October 3, 1895, at eight P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the "regular" meeting, September 19, 1895, and of the "special" meeting September 25, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the minute book, on motion of Mr. Detwiller.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petition was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:

Petition of James E. Banks relative to the loss of a certain certificate of tax sale, etc.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:

J. Herbert Potts, $270; J. F. Norton, $180; Randolph Perkins, $35.75; W. P. Douglass, $45; Collins & Corbin, $312.32; J. W. Harrison, $44; R. H. Weaver, $5; Collins & Corbin, $20.25; Andrew J. Boyle, $30.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

From the City Collector:—

Jersey City, September 30, 1895.

Honorable Board of Finance, Jersey City:

Gentlemen—Subject to the confirmation of your Honorable Board, I have appointed William H. Vermilye as clerk in my office, to fill vacancy caused by the death of John H. McCutcheon, to take effect October 1, 1895 at a salary at the rate of ($1,200) twelve hundred dollars per year.

Yours, respectfully,
S. H. SMITH,
City Collector.

Mr. Simpson then presented the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the communication of S. H. Smith, City Collector, dated September 30, 1895, notifying this Board that he has appointed William H. Vermilye as clerk in his office to fill vacancy caused by the death of John H. McCutcheon, appointment to take effect October 1, 1895, at a salary at the rate of $1,200 per year, be and the same is hereby received, and that the appointment of William H. Vermilye as clerk in the City Collector's office at a salary at the rate of $1,200 per year, be and is hereby confirmed by this Board.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

From the City Clerk.

Jersey City, September 12, 1895.

To the Honorable Board of Finance:

Gentlemen—Block 1, lot 41 Walker avenue, on block new No. 1343, lot 41 was assessed twice, being a duplicate assessment in the name of David Reilly and Thomas Carey from 1873 to 1880. Receipted bills for the taxes on this property from 1873 to 1880 inclusive have been produced in this office today by Mrs. Reilly, sister of the owner. The duplicate assessment was adjusted in report No. 94 of Martin Act Commissioners, which was an error; and a tax sale made of same April 16, 1895 to Samuel C. Mount for 51.25. The owner desires that the sale may be set aside and cancelled and the purchase money returned to the purchaser.

Respectfully,
E. W. WOOLLEY,
City Clerk.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

The following preamble and resolutions adopted by the Board of Education on September 26, 1895 were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance:—

1. Resolved, That the Board of Finance be and they are hereby requested to appropriate to the use of this Board $25,315 for repairs to the public schools. This amount includes the $24,000 the original sum asked for, and extras as follows:—for No. 10, $1,688; for Nos. 12, 16 and 23, $121.72; for High School, $142.28; for No. 20, $200; No. 13, $165.

2. Whereas, The brick wall on the west end of No. 10 school has been found to be in a dangerous condition, and

Whereas, This said wall has been condemned by the Building Inspector, and

Whereas, The roof is entirely off this building and the exigency of the public service will not admit of the advertisement of proposals, therefore be it

Resolved, That Messrs. Kelly Bros. who have the contract for remodeling the building, be and are hereby granted the contract to take down and rebuild the said wall and leave this side of the building in first class condition, for the sum of $975, as per their letter of 18th inst., addressed to U. Allen, President of this Board,

Resolved, That the Board of Finance be requested to appropriate the sum of $1,000 to meet this expense and the architects fees.

3. Whereas, On Augus 31, the tin roof on No. 7 School was blown off, three chimneys were damaged so that it was necessary to rebuild them. The cornice was damaged, also the iron fence, and

Whereas, The immediate performance of the work and furnishing of materials to repair the damage would not admit of the ordinary delay of advertising, and

Whereas, U. Allen, Committeeman of

said school ordered the repairs made, therefore be it

Resolved, That the action of Mr. Allen be endorsed and the Board of Finance be requested to appropriate sufficient money to meet the expense when the bills are present.

From th Board of Police Commissioners:

The following resolution adopted September 26, 1895.

Resolved, That the Hon. Board of Finance be requested to transfer the balances remaining to the credit of the account of the Committee on "General Claims" Board of Police Commissioners, fiscal year 1894-1895, viz:—

Committee on Fuel, Feed of Horses, Feed of Prisoners, Incidentals for Chief, Supplies for Station Houses, Department Repairs and Incidentals, Telephones for Signal System, Maintenance of Signal System, Lighting Station Houses, Hospitals and Dispensaries, Printing and Stationery, and Putting in Metalic Circuit.

The followng resolutions requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Magnolia avenue, between Waldo avenue and the lands of the Pennsylvania R. R., conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted October 1, 1895.)

2. Fixing the salary of Stenographer and typewriter appointed this day at $60 per month, (Edith M. Grundy.)

(Adopted October 1, 1895.)

3. Fixing the salary of painter appointed this day for temporary service at the Belleville Pumping Station at the rate of $2.50 per day when engaged. (Michael Kelly.)

(Adopted October 1, 1895.)

4. Awarding to Theo. Smith & Bro. the contract for all the labor and materials necessary to the building of an addition to stand pipe at high service pumping station at the price named in their proposal submitted this day, namely, $625, that being the lowest bid, &c.

Adopted October 1, 1895.

5. Awarding to Washburn Bros. Co. the contract to furnish and deliver fire brick, fire clay, lime, Portland cement and building sand, as may be required, to May 1, 1896, as per prices named in their proposal of this day.

Adopted October 1, 1895.

6. Fixing the salaries of general clerks appointed this day at $75 per month each (J. P. McLean, B. S. Fairchild transferred).

Adopted October 1, 1895.

7. Ordering paid $33 to Joseph E. Frank.

Adopted October 1, 1895.

8. Ordering paid the salaries of general superintendent in the water department for the month of September, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $1,449.

Adopted October 1, 1895.

9. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers, laying and repairing water pipe for the month of September, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $2,629.

Adopted October 1, 1895.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, be concurred in:—

1. Fixing the salary of painter, appointed this day, for temporary service at the Belleville Pumping Station, at the rate of $2.50 per day, when engaged (Michael Kelly).

(Adopted October 1st, 1895.)

2. Awarding to Theo. Smith & Bro. the contract for all the labor and materials necessary to the building of an addition to Stand Pipe at High Service Pumping Station, at the price named in their proposal, submitted this day, namely, $625.00, that being the lowest bid, etc.

(Adopted October 1st, 1895.)

3. Awarding to Washburn Bros. Co. the contract to furnish and deliver fire brick, fire clay, lime, Portland cement and building sand, as may be required to May 1st, 1896, as per prices named in their proposal of this day.

(Adopted October 1st, 1895.)

4. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Wilkes street, between Sip avenue and Hudson County Public Road, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the laws of 1895.

(Adopted September 24th, 1895.)

5. Fixing the salary of stenographer and typewriter, appointed this day, at $60.00 per month, (Edith M. Grundy.)

(Adopted October 1st, 1895.)

6. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Magnolia avenue, between Waldo avenue and the lands of the Pennsylvania R. R., conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted October 1st, 1895.)

7. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, etc., in the Water Department, amounting to $1,449, and of laborers, laying and repairing water pipe, amounting to $2,629, for the month of September, 1895, as per pay rolls.

Adopted October 1, 1895.

8. Ordering paid the following claims:—

July 9, 1895, W. W. Farrier, $91.79 and $199.32.

July 23, 1895, W. W. Farrier, $488.75.

August 20, 1895, W. W. Farrier, $215.75.

October 1, 1895, Joseph E. Franks, $33.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the

following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$99 to W. P. Douglass, fees as Judge Second Criminal Court for August, 1895.

$45 to W. P. Douglass, fees as Judge Second Criminal Court from September 1, to September 26, 1895 (both inclusive).

Both claims chargeable to fees received from Criminal Courts.

$35.75 to Randolph Perkins for serving "Martin Act" notices.

Chargeable to account of "Martin Act."

The report was received, and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the yeas and nays by the president:

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Baily, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None. Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (all chargeable to account printing, stationery, &c., for the year 1894—1895):

$20.25 to Collins & Corbin for taxed costs in the matter of application to confirm report No. 96 of the Commissioners of Adjustment of Jersey City, ordered paid by the court.

$312.32 to Collins & Corbin for fees defending Messrs. Detwiller and Fraser in quo warranto proceedings.

$5 to R. H. Weaver for climbing pole on City Hall for halliards.

$44 to J. W. Harrison for stationery for City Collector.

The report was received, and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the yeas and nays by the president:

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Baily, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None. Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to transfer the following balances of appropriations of the Board of Police Commissioners (present fiscal year to the account of Committee on "General Claims" of said Board:—

Fuel, $297.25; feed of horses, $920.66; feed of prisoners, $700.90; photographs of prisoners, $101; incidentals for chief, $15.50; supplies for station houses, $254.99; department repairs and incidentals, $494.78; telephones for signal system, $599.90; maintenance of signal system, $39.66; lighting station houses, $1,726.05; hospital and dispensaries, $5,661.06; printing and stationery, $309.01; rentals, $180; putting in metal circuit for signal system, $448.80.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, A judgment has been obtained against the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City in the Second District Court of Jersey City on August 16, 1895, in favor of Charles E. Freeland for the sum of $14.75, including $2.75 cost of suit, for services rendered by said Charles E. Freeland as an election officer in the Sixteenth Precinct of the Fourth Aldermanic District of Jersey City in the month of November, 1894, therefore,

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of M. Armstrong, Jr., attorney of Charles E. Freeland, for $14.75, including $2.75 for cost of suit, to satisfy the judgment obtained in the Second District Court of Jersey City in favor of said Charles E. Freeland for services rendered as an election officer in the Sxteenth precinct of the Fourth Aldermanc district of Jersey City n the month of November, 1894, and that the Cty Clerk be and is hereby directed not to deliver said warrant unless upon the production of a proper satisfaction price.

(Chargeable to Account of Prnting Stationery, &c., 1893-1894,)

By Mr. Bailey—

Whereas, Requisition was made upon this Board by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, September 24, 1895, for the sum of $3,500.00 and upon consultation with said last named board, it was agreed to fix the sum at $3,000, which sum was to be an additional appropriation to clean the sewers and receiving basins of this city durig the fiscal year of 1894-1895, therefore be it

Resolved, That the sum of $3,000 be and is hereby appropriated to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for the purpose of cleaning the sewers and receiving basins of this city during the fiscal year 1894-1895, and further

Resolved, That in order to raise said amount a temporary loan bond be issued in the sum of $3,000, with interest at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, and that said amount be placed in the next tax levy.

By Mr. Bailey:

Whereas, Requisition has been made on this Board by the Board of Education for the sum of $26,315 to pay for repairs

to the school buildings during the past Summer vacation, and

Whereas, The Board of Finance has upon consideration of the matter agreed to allow said Board of Education the sum of $26,315 to make such repairs, therefore

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby appropriates $26,315 to the Board of Education, to be used only in the payment of claims for work done in repairing, etc., school buildings during the summer vacation of 1895, and

Resolved, That in order to raise said sum, the Committee on Finance of this Board are hereby authorized to issue one or more temporary loan bonds, aggregating the sum of $26,315.00, at a rate of interest not to exceed 4½ per cent. per annum, and that said sum of $26,315 be and is hereby ordered placed in the next tax levy.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, Requisition has been made upon this Board by the Board of Education for the sum of $1,000 to pay claims for taking down and rebuilding the brick wall on the west end of Public School No. 10, said wall having been condemned by the Building Inspector, and to pay architect's fees therefor.

Resolved, That the sum of $1,000 be and is hereby appropriated to the Board of Education for the purpose of paying claims for taking down and rebuilding brick wall on the west end of Public School No. 10, and to pay fees of architect, and in order to raise said sum of $1,000, the Committee on Finance of this Board are hereby authorized to issue a temporary loan bond in the sum of $1,000, with interest, at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, and that the said sum of $1,000 be placed in the next tax levy.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That so much of the resolution adopted by this Board September 19th, 1895, ordering paid $100 to John H. McCutcheon, for services rendered as clerk to the City Collector for the month of September, 1895, when due, be and the same is hereby recinded, said John H. McCutchen having died on the evening of September 25, 1895.

By Mr. Hardenberg:—

Whereas, The City Collector did on April 16, 1895, sell to Samuel C. Mount lot No. 41, Block 1343, for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc., (sale No. 5551), and

Whereas, It appears from statement made by E. W. Woolley, City Clerk, that the taxes for the years 1873 to 1880 inclusive are dulicates, said property having been twice assessed, and once paid, therefore the liens as adjusted in report No. 94 for said years should be cancelled, and

Whereas, The assessment for the improvement of Jackson avenue and also the assessment for the opening of Jackson avenue, on said property were paid October 2, 1895, (said assessments having also been included in said sale of April 16, 1895), therefore be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Samuel C. Mount for the sum of $85.17 to refund amount of $51.25 paid City Collector as purchase money (and $33.92 expenses for search and notices) for said Lot No. 41, Block 1343, and be it further

Resolved, That the City Clerk of Jersey City be and is hereby directed to cancel the record of said sale and that the warrant hereby authorized to be issued shall be delivered only upon the surrender of certificate of sale No. 2614. said certificate to be cancelled forthwith.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK, Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Friday, October 11, 1895, at 7 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The call for the meeting was read and is as follows:—

Jersey City, October 10, 1895, 1 P. M.

Mr. Martin Finck:—

Dear Sir.—Please send out notices for a meeting of Board for Friday, October 11, 1895, at 7 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of taking action on the water contract and for the transaction of any other business that may be brought before the Board.

Yours etc.,
JOHN M. JONES,
President.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 3, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the Minute Book, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

A petition was received from M. J. Currie, attorney of Wm. L. Pitcher, requesting that $32.56 be returned, being duplicate payment of taxes year 1891.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Western Union Tel. Co., $3; A. Datz, $98.50; J. C. Herald, $352.50; J. C. News, $17.50, $54 and $353.40; Postal Tel. Cable Co., $19.44, $39.64, $19.25, $2.70 and $6.10.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the City Collector:—

Certifying that he has received from the County Clerk, Report No. 101, made by the Commissioners of Adjustment, amounting to $247,388.42. (Filed September 3, 1895.)

Received and ordered filed.

Jersey City, Oct. 8, 1895.

From the City Clerk:—

To the Hon. Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—Block 2, lot 38, Bay street, or block new number 1274, lot 38, Terhune avenue, was twice assessed, being a duplicate assessment in the name of Joseph Genler and J. J. Van Horne, a receipted tax bill for the year 1880 on this property has been presented in this office today by A. J. C. Foye, agent of the owner. The duplicate was adjusted in Report No. 93 of Martin Act Commissioners, which was an error and a tax sale made of same April 16, 1895, to H. F. Knapp for $24.84.

The owner desires that the sale may be set aside and cancelled and the purchase money returned to the purchaser.

Respectfully,

E. W. WOOLLEY,
City Clerk.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1. Resolution, Assigning certain certificates of tax sales to Hudson City Savings Bank and Josephine Griffin.

2. Resolution, to sell and convey to Edward B. Colby certain property for which the city holds deed.

3. Resolution, To sell and convey to Franklin G. Colby certain property for which the city holds deeds.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. To pay certain claims.

(Adopted October 8, 1895.)

2. To pay claim of Joseph E. Frank, $30.

(Adopted October 8, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service, for the month of September, 1895, as per pay rolls, amounting to $4,398.91.

(Adopted October 8, 1895.)

4. Resolution and preamble as follows:

Whereas, The Corporation Attorney in accordance with the terms of a resolution passed by this Board on August 13, 1895, concurred in by Board of Finance September 5, 1895, and approved by his Honor the Mayor September 16, 1895, has prepared with the approval of the Corporation Counsel the form of a contract for a new water supply for Jersey City for the term of one year, etc., with the East Jersey Water Company, and submitted the same to this Board for ratification and execution; therefore,

Resolved, That the form of contract for a new water supply for Jersey City for the term of one year, and as provided for with the East Jersey Water Company as submitted by the Corporation Attorney to this board be accepted and adopted, and the President of this board be and is hereby directed to execute the same in behalf of this Board as soon as the said contract has been concurred in by the Board of Finance and approved by His Honor the Mayor.

(Adopted October 9, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following preamble and resolution, and the form of contract submitted therewith, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners October 9, 1895, to wit:—

Whereas, The Corporation Attorney, in accordance with the terms of a resolu-

tion, passed by this Board on August 13, 1895, concurred in by the Board of Finance September 5, 1895, and approved by His Honor the Mayor September 16, 1895, has prepared, with the approval of the Corporation Counsel, the form of contract for a new water supply for Jersey City for the term of one year, etc., with the East Jersey Water Company, and submitetd the same to this Board for ratification and execution; therefore

Resolved, That the form of contract for a new water supply for Jersey City, for the term of one year, and as provided for, with the East Jersey Water Company, as submitted by the Corporation Attorney to this Board, be accepted and adopted, and the President of this Board be and is hereby directed to execute the same in behalf of this Board, as soon as the said contract has been concurred in by the Board of Finance, and approved by His Honor the Mayor.

The following is the form of contract:—

This agreement made this —— day of October, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, between the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, party of the first part, hereinafter called the City, and the East Jersey Water Company, a corporation of the State of New Jersey, party of the second part, hereinafter called the Company, witnesseth:—

1. The Company agrees to provide a new water supply for Jersey City, for the term of one year from the beginning of delivery of water hereunder, of Pequannock water taken from the Pequannock pipe line now carrying water from the Pequannock River to Newark, that is to say, the water available is the Pequannock water to the capacity of said pipe above the requirements of the city of Newark and other consumers to the extent of their contract requirements at the time of the making of this contract.

2. The Company will deliver said water by a pipe line or lines, which they will construct from a point on the said Pequannock pipe line in the Township of Belleville, Essex county, N. J., across the Passaic River, to a point at or near the reservoir belonging to the City in the Township of Union, Bergen county, N. J., and will there deliver the water into existing water mains belonging to the City, near the corner of Kearny avenue and the Belleville Turnpike, the Company for the performance of this contract is to have the right to make use of the existing pipes and mains and lands of the City in the neighborhood of the City's said reservoir, so far as the same are appropriate and available for the purpose; and upon the termination of the contract such use shall terminate, and the City's said pipes, mains and lands shall be restored by the Company as far as the same can be done to their present condition. The Company will give to the City the advantage of the full pressure and head which now exists in said Pequannock pipe at or near Belleville, being a head of about three hundred and fifty feet above tide water, which will average a head of about three hundred and thirty-five feet at the point of delivery, at the corner of said Kearny avenue and Belleville Turnpike. The Company will deliver water under this contract within six months from signing of this contract, unless delayed by litigations, strikes or other unavoidable accidents, and in case of such delays, the time lost thereby shall be added to said term of six months.

3. The city agrees to take the water aforesaid as soon as the company is ready to deliver the same and to use the same for a new water supply for the term of one year from the beginning of the delivery of water hereunder, it being understood that the city is to take only so much of said water as the City may require, and pay for only so much as it takes, the City to use no other supply except to supplement the deficiency, if any, of this supply from the Pequannock pipe, to answer the needs of the City during the term of this contract, and the City will pay for so much of said water as it takes at the following rates per million gallons.

For each million gallons up to twenty million gallons daily, forty-three dollars. ($43.00.)

For twenty-one million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and eighty cents ($42.80.)

For twenty-two million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and sixty cents ($42.60.)

For twenty-three million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and forty cents, ($42.40.)

For twenty-four million gallons daily, forty-two dollars and twenty cents, ($42.20.)

For twenty-five million gallons daily, forty-two dollars, ($42.00.)

For twenty-six million gallons daily, forty dollars and fifty cents ($40.50.)

For twenty-seven million gallons daily, thirty-nine dollars and ten cents, $39.10.)

For twenty-eight million gallons daily, thirty-seven dollars and seventy cents, ($37.70.)

For twenty-nine million gallons daily, thirty-six dollars and thirty cents, ($36.30.)

For thirty million gallons daily, thirty-five dollars ($35.00.)

For thirty-one million gallons daily, thirty-three dollars and ninety cents, ($33.90.)

For thirty-two million gallons daily, thirty-two dollars and eighty cents, ($32.80.)

For thirty-three million gallons daily, thirty-two dollars, ($32.00.)

For thirty-four million gallons daily, thirty-one dollars and twenty cents, ($31.20.)

For thirty-five million gallons daily, thirty dollars and forty cents, ($30.40.)

For thirty-six million gallons daily, twenty-nine dollars and sixty cents, ($29.60.)

For thirty-seven million gallons daily, twenty eight dollars and ninety cents, ($28.90.)

For thirty-eight million gallons daily, twenty-eight dollars and twenty cents, ($28.20.)

For thirty-nine million gallons daily, twenty-seven dollars and forty-five cents, ($27.45.)

For forty million gallons daily, twenty-six dollars and eighty cents, ($26.80.)

For forty-one million gallons daily, twenty-six dollars and twenty cents, ($26.20.)

For forty-two million gallons daily, twenty-five dollars and sixty cents ($25.60.)

For forty-three million gallons daily, twenty-five dollars ($25).

For forty-four million gallons daily, twenty-four dollars and fifty cents ($24.50).

For forty-five million gallons daily, twenty-four dollars ($24).

For forty-six million gallons daily, twenty-three dollars and sixty cents ($23.60).

For forty-seven million gallons daily, twenty-three dollars and twenty cents ($23.20).

For forty-eight million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars and eighty cents ($22.80).

For forty-nine million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars and forty cents ($22.40).

For fifty million gallons daily, twenty-two dollars ($22).

And for each fractional portion of a million gallons, (above twenty millions) a pro rata price according to that rate per million gallons, which the fractional part exceeds, and in case the water consumed is less than twenty millions, then the price shall be at the rate of forty-three dollars ($43) per million gallons.

Quarterly bills shall be made up as follows:—The entire quantity of water delivered in any one week shall be ascertained and divided by seven, which will give the daily consumption for that week and the price shall be reckoned on that daily average.

Payments shall be made by warrant to the order of the East Jersey Water Company delivered at the City Hall in Jersey City within fifteen days after the receipt by the City of each quarterly bill made as aforesaid.

4. The company will measure and keep a record of the water at its own expense upon the company's property east of the Passaic River and the representatives of the City shall at all times have access to the meters measuring the water for the purpose of inspection and supervision.

5. The quarterly bills shall be rendered as of the first days of January, April, July and October of any year. If the water is first delivered between such aforesaid named quarter days then the first bill shall be for the fractional part of a quarter up to the first of said days following such first delivery, and in case the term of one year of this contract terminates between such aforesaid quarter days then the bill shall be from the quarter day preceding the termination of such term to the end of such term.

6. It is further agreed and understood that the Company, until the twenty-fourth day of September, A. D. nineteen hundred, will have a surplus of Pequannock River water to dispose of from said Pequannock pipe, and in case the taking of water under this contract is not terminated by the City at the end of the one year specified, then all the terms and conditions of this contract shall continue in force until the City shall terminate the same by giving the Company three months notice in writing that the City will cease to take water at the quarter day next after the expiration of said three months, it being understood that the company cannot in any case furnish any water under this contract from said Pequannock pipe line after the twenty-fourth day of September A. D. nineteen hundred, at which time this contract will terminate unless sooner terminated as above provided. All appliances on the lands of the City necessary to carry out this contract must be of a pattern to be agreed on and approved by the Chief Engineer of the City and the Chief Engineer of the Company, and applied only as directed by them; all such appliances are to be removed by the company at the termination of this contract or left in the possession of the City in case the City desire to purchase the appliances at the cost price thereof, and for the purpose of ascertaining the cost price thereof the company shall file sworn statements of the cost of the same with the Board of Street and Water Commissioners.

7. And it is further agreed that in case the company should require to exercise the power of condemnation to secure a right of way for the pipe line which it is to construct as aforesaid between the Pequannock pipe line in the Township of Belleville and a point at or near the City's reservoir in Union Township aforesaid, or to secure any lands or rights therefor, in order to fulfill the terms of this contract or any renewal thereof or any part thereof, as above provided, the City will permit and allow such proceedings to be taken in the name of the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City under their powers of condemnation for that purpose; all costs, damages, expenses and other disbursements whatsoever

connected with such proceedings to be paid and satisfied by the Company and the City to be held free and harmless therefrom. And the City agrees that after obtaining title by such condemnation proceedings, they will convey the same to the Company to enable the Company to carry out this contract and any renewals thereof, and to furnish said water supply.

In witness whereof, the said party of the first part hath caused these presents to be signed by the Mayor of the City and the President of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, and hath caused the seal of the City to be affixed hereto, and the East Jersey Water Company have caused their corporate seal to be hereto affixed and attested by their Secretary and these presents to be signed by their President the day and year first above written.

THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF JERSEY CITY,

Mayor.

President of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners.

Attest:

City Clerk.

THE EAST JERSEY WATER COMPANY,

President.

Attest:

Secretary.

The report of the committee was received, and the preamble and resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, October 9, 1895, and the form of contract submitted therewith (all as above mentioned), were concurred in by the Board of Finance of Jersey City by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The same committee further reported, recommending that the following resolutions be concurred in:—

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners October 8, 1895:—

1. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of September, 1895 (as per pay roll), amounting to $4,398.91.

2. Fixing the salaries of J. P. McLean and B. S. Fairchild, General Clerks, appointed October 1, 1895, at $75 per month each.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Aldermen October 8, 1895:—

1. To sell and convey to Franklin G. Colby certain property, for which the city holds deeds.

2. To sell and convey to Edward B. Colby certain property for which the city holds deeds.

3. To assign certain certificates of tax sales to Hudson City Savings Bank and Josephine Griffin.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nayes by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (chargeable to account Criminal Court Fees):—

$66 to Andrew J. Boyle, fees as clerk, Second Criminal Court, for August, 1895.

$30 to Andrew J. Boyle, fees as clerk, Second Criminal Court, from September 1-26, 1895, inclusive.

The same Committee also reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (chargeable to account Martin Act):—

$353.40 to J. C. News publishing Tax Sale No. 13, account City Collector.

$352.50 to J. C. Herald, publishing Tax Sale No. 13, account City Collector.

The reports were received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller.

The Committee on Printing and Stationery reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, etc., 1894-95.

$27.59 to Postal Tel. Cable Co., messenger service, Mayor's office, May, 1895.

$19.25 to Postal Tel. Cable Co., mesenger service, Mayor's office, June, 1895.

$26.18 to Postal Tel. Cable Co., messenger service, Mayor's office, July, 1895.

$17.92 to Postal Tel. Cable Co., messenger service, Mayor's office, August, 1895.

$6.10 to Postal Tel. Cable Co., messenger service Board of Finance, April, 1895.

$2.70 to Postal Tel. Cable Co, messenger service, Board of Finance, September, 1895.

$54 to J. C. News printing manual slips, pps. 72-98.

$3 Western Union Tel. Co., time service, Mayor's office, from April 1, 1895, to June 30, 1895.

$98.50 to A. Datz, tax bills for City Collector.

$71.95 to A. Datz, stationery, etc., for City Comptroller (claim of $103 reduced).

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Hardenbergh, and the same was adopted by the following vote on the call for the yeas and nays by the President:

Yeas—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John H. McCutcheon, for $83.33, for services rendered as Clerk to the City Collector from September 1, 1895, to September 25, 1895, (both inclusive).

(Chargeable to salary account, 1894-95).

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday evening, October 17, 1895, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of "special" meeting held on October 11, 1895, were approved as printed in manual form on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Petition of Mary E. Ahrens to correct certain taxes for year 1894.

Petition of James McDonad for the return of 70 cents for erroneous assessment for water rents for year 1895.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Of Henry Smith, $110.60; James Atchison, $2, $12.25 and $2.70; New Jersey Title and Abstract Company, $799.15; The N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., $2.40, $2.30, $5.30 and $38.05; C. S. Westervelt, $30; F. P. Van Saun, $25; R. H. Weaver, $5; J. C. News, $17.50 and $17.50.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From John J. Nevins, esq., Mayor's Secretary, calling this Board's attention, under instructions of his Honor the Mayor, to Chapter 321 of the Laws of 1895, which provides that all claims against this Board shall be first presented to his Honor the Mayor, for his approval before the warrant ordering the amount of the claim shall be delivered, and requesting that all claims hereafter presented to this Board shall be in duplicate.

Received and ordered filed on motion of Mr. Simpson.

From the Board of Education:—

Resolution requesting Board of Finance to appropriate $682.14 to pay claims for repairs to Public School building No. 7.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions were received from the above named Board, requiring the concurrence of this Board, and were referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Jersey avenue between Fifteenth street and Hoboken avenue.

(Adopted October 15, 1895).

2. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Dwight street, from Ocean avenue to Van Cleef street.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

3. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Montgomery street, between Bergen avenue and the New County Road.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

4. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Orchard street, betwen Crawford street and Montgomery street.

(Adopted October 15 ,1895.)

5. Awarding to Bernard Gannon the contract for the construction of a main sewer in Nelson avenue, from Bleecker street to Paterson avenue, etc.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

6. Awarding to Bernard Feeney the contract for the improvement of Hancock avenue, between Bowers street and Congress street.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

7. Awarding to Edward O'Donnell the contract for the improvement of Lake street, between Montrose avenue and the Hudson County Public Road.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

8. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Lincoln street, betwen Central avenue and the Hudson County Public Road.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

9. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Dwight street from Ocean avenue to Van Cleef street.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

2. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Jersey avenue between Fifteenth street and Hoboken avenue.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

3. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Orchard street between Crawford street and Montgomery street.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

4. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Montgomery street between Bergen avenue and the New County Road.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

5. Awarding to Bernard Gannon the contract for the construction of a main sewer in Nelson avenue, from Bleecker street to Paterson avenue, and lateral sewers in Graham avenue, North street, Irving street, Poplar street and Grace street, from a point about 90 feet west of the Hudson County Public Road to connect with main sewer in Nelson avenue.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

6. Ordering paid the following claims:—

October 8, 1895—Stanley & Patterson, $45.83; Freeman A. Smith, $18.45; United

Gas Improvement Co., $1.05 and $7.95; Louis Steiger, $58.65; Theodore Smith & Bro., $37.67 and $58.81; Chas. B. Brush, $50 and $50; James F. Blackshaw, $232.96; H. F. Hayes, $31.40 and $27; Hugo Mootz, $2.50; N. Y. and N. J. Tel. Co., $42.55; R. McArthur, $7.

October 15, 1895, W. W. Farrier, $31.88; and $82.30; J. W. Harrison, $150; Edith M. Grundy, $20.

The report was received and the resolutions therein contained were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones, Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller, (1).

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(Chargeable to Martin Act Account).

Of C. S. Westervelt for extra services, itemizing Commissioners of Adjustment reorts for month of October, 1895, when due, $30.

F. P. Van Sann for typewriting during the month of October 1895, when due, $25.

J. C. News for publishing Martin Act notices, sale No. 5078, $17.50.

The same committee also further reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payments of salaries for the month of October, 1895, when due, as follows:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to Wm. F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Charles F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Wm. H. Vermilyea, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$150 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$100 to Wm. C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$75 to Edward P. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following-named persons for salaries for the month of October, 1895, when due, to wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney, for cleaning rooms.

$40 to Chas. Golden, for tending fires.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of October, 1895, when due, as follows:—The Jersey City News, $229.16; The Evening Journal, $229.16; The J. C. Herald, $229.16.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of N. P. Wedin for $70 for services as Assistant Clerk to the District Court during the month of October, 1895, when due (to be paid only out of District Court fees).

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Albert Payne for $66.66 for services as Marshal to the Second District Court during the month of October, 1895, when due (to be paid only out of District Court fees).

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The Committee on Printing and Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(Chargeable to account of Printing, Stationery, etc., year 1894-1895).

Of James Atchinson for stationery supplies for Board of Finance, $2.

James Atchinson for rubber stamps and rack for City Comptroller, $12.25.

James Atchinson for rubber stamps for City Clerk, $2.70.

N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co. for tolls, office of Corporation Counsel, from June 1, 1895, to September 1, 1895, $2.40.

N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co. for telephone tolls, Board of Finance, from June 1, 1895, to September 1, 1895, $2.30.

Henry Smith for taking down stoves of the several offices and resetting same, supplies etc., $110.60.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller, (1).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4.)

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

By President Jones:—

Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of this Board through His Honor, the Mayor, and the Corporation Counsel, that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, through its attorneys, has certioraried the proceedings of the State Board of Assessors on account of their method of determining the tax to be paid on the tract of land, etc., situated in Jersey City, and known as the Harsimus Cove Grant; and

Whereas, The proceedings before the Supreme Court, under said writ of certiorari, although taken against the State of New Jersey, are of vital interest to Jersey City, inasmuch as the collection of the sum of some $32,000 of local taxes is endangered,

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel, with the assistance of the Corporation Attorney, be requested to take such action as may be proper in the interest of the city, and, if necessary, in his judgment, he be empowered to employ additional counsel and report his action to this Board.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $20,000, balance of county taxes of 1894.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, to be deposited to the credit of November, 1895, interest as follows:—

On General Account	$18,415.98
On General Account, to pay interest on Assessment Bonds	15,000.00
On Water Account	19,635.00
Total	53,050.98

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a temporary loan bond in the sum of $682.14 be issued by the Committee on Finance of this Board, with interest at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, to pay claims incurred for materials and labor furnished for the repairing of the damage to Public School Building No. 7, occasioned by the storm of August 31, last, and that said sum be and is hereby appropriated to the Board of Education to be used for the purpose mentioned, requisition having been made by the Board of Education for this appropriation, and the amount of said bond ($682.14) be placed in the next tax levy.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and is hereby instructed to receive no claims, chargeable to the Board of Finance, unless the same are made out in duplicate so that the provisions of chapter 321, of the laws of 1895, may be legally complied with.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James McDonald for 70 cents, to return erroneous assessment for water rents for year 1895, on Lot 4, Block 855, Moran street; the assessment should have been on a 2½-story building instead of a 3-story building, as appears by the certificate of the Water Register.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board March 7, 1895, ordering the City Comptroller to set aside for the use of the Board of Education to pay claims for making repairs, etc., be and is hereby rescinded.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of M. J. Currie, attorney of William L. Pitcher, for $32.56, to return amount paid for taxes as adjusted for year 1891 on Lot 1 H, Block 1,419, Hooker avenue; the taxes for said year on same property having already been paid December 16, 1895, as appears by the certificate of the City Collector.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following salaries of the members of the Board of Finance when due:—

John M. Jones, from July 24, 1895, to October 23, 1895, both dates inclusive, $125.

James S. Bailey, from July 24, 1895, to October 23, 1895, both dates inclusive, $125.

J. W. Hardenbergh, from July 24, 1895, to October 23, 1895, both dates inclusive, $125.

J. J. Detwiller, from July 24, 1895, to October 23, 1895, both dates inclusive, $125.

Reuben Simpson, for August, September and October, 1895, $125.

By Mr Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Samuel C. Mount for $1.65, to return erroneous assesment for water rents for year 1893, on lot 8, block 1334, No. 61 Fulton avenue, the assesment should have been on a two-story 18 feet frontage building, instead of a two-story 20 feet frontage, as charged on bill, as appears by the certificate of the Water Registrar.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Abraham Van Horn, attorney of William Bender, for $45.60 to return erroneous assessment for water rents for years 1891 to 1894 (both years inclusive) on lots part 16, part 16 and part 16, block 127 (Nos. 82, 80 and 78 Academy street respectively), water rents on four-story buildings having been charged, instead of on three-story, 24 feet, 3 inches, as appears by the certificate of the Water Registrar.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, The City Collector did on April 16, 1895, sell to H. F. Knapp lot 38, block 1274, for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc., (Sale No. 5383); and

Whereas, It appears from statement made by E. W. Wooley, City Clerk, that the taxes for the year 1880 are duplicates, said property having been twice assessed and once paid, therefore the liens as adjusted in Report No. 93 for said year should be cancelled; and therefore be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of H. F. Knapp for the sum of $54.84, to refund amount of $24.84, paid City Collector as purchase money (and $30 expenses for notices) for said lot 38, block 1274; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Clerk of Jersey City be and is hereby directed to cancel the record of said sale, and that the warrant hereby authorized to be issued shall be delivered only upon the surrender of Certificate of Sale No. 2,582, said certificate to be cancelled forthwith.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the following committees be and are hereby relieved of the further consideration of the communications, petitions, etc., referred to them, and that the said communications, etc., be placed on file:—

Committee on Finance:—

Request of Board of Street and Water Commissioners for an appropriation of $3,000 to clean sewers.

Presented and referred to the committee March 20, 1895.

Request of Board of Police Commissioners that certain lots on Tuers avenue be bought for site of Seventh Precinct Station House.

Presented and referred to the Committee April 4, 1895.

Request of Board of Street and Water Commissioners that bonds be issued to permit the erection of required school buildings.

Presented and referred to the committee April 26, 1895.

Request of Board of Education for an appropriation of $500 for books for School No. 5.

Presented and referred to the committee January 3, 1895.

Resolution from Board of Aldermen that certain proceedings be had in securing deeds of property purchased by the city at "Martin Act" sales.

Presented and referred to the committee April 4, 1895.

Committee of the Whole:—

Appointing O. W. Barnes and B. S. Church as water experts.

Presented and referred to the committee November 1, 1894.

Communication of C. C. Vermeule concerning the proposals of H. J. Reilly and others to suply water to Jersey City.

Presented and referred to the Committee April 4, 1895.

Copy of a proposition from George B. Inman presented to the Clerk of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for furnishing Jersey City with water:—

Presented and referred to the Committee April 4, 1895.

Communication of Carroll-Porter Boiler and Tank Company, C. C. Vermeule by H. J. Reilly, contractor, requesting Board of Finance to carefully consider the various points in the accepted bid of the Jersey City Supply Company.

Presented and referred to the Committee, April 30, 1895.

Communication from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, submitting a copy of a report of the Committee of the Whole on the matter of a new water supply for Jersey City.

Presented and referred to the Committee April 30, 1895.

Communication from the Jersey City Water Company relative to their bid for a new water supply.

Presented and referred to the Committee May 2, 1895.

Communication from George T. Bouton, Clerk of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, submitting copies of informal propositions for a new water supply.

Presented and referred to the Committee May 2, 1895.

Communication from Sidell Tilyhman, President of the Jersey City Water Company, relative to a new water supply.

Presented and referred to the Committee May 2, 1895.

Comunication from N. E. Reed, relative to a new water supply,

Presented and referred to the Committee May 2, 1895,

Communication from the East Jersey Water Company, concerning new water supply.

Presented and referred to the Committee May 2, 1895.

Petition of Charles Frech and others requesting that an appropriation be made by the Board of Finance for the building of steps on Laidlaw avenue.

Presented and referred to the committee June 25, 1895.

Resolution from Board of Aldermen requesting that $1,000 be appropriated to meet prospective deficiency in account of printing, stationery, etc., for current year.

Presented and referred to the committee July 2, 1895.

Resolution from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners authorizing the Board of Finance to select an expert engineer at an expense not to exceed $5,000 to advise upon the policy of the city in regard to the water supply, etc.

Presented and referred to the committee August 29, 1895.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK, Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, October 24, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey and Simpson (3).

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Hardenbergh (2).

The call for the meeting, issued by the President, which was for the transaction of "General Business," was read.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the "regular" meeting of October 17, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the minute book, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The petition of Michael Kelly to have corrected the assessment levied for taxes year 1894, on Lot 12, Block 593, Ferris street.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees.

Evening Journal Assn., $353.40; Martin Finck, $54.75; Hugo Mootz, $3.00; Albert Datz, $37.25 and John Golden, $2.50.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Resolution adopted October 22, 1895.

Assigning certain certificates of tax sales to Jacob Van Wagenen, Charles Clinton, Amelia Nicoll, Jacob Germann and Fred Drewes.

Referred to the Committee on Conurrent Resolutions.

From the Board of Fire Commissioners:—

Resolution adopted October 23, 1895.

Requesting the Board of Finance to transfer the sum of $2,500 from credit of Salary Account to credit of Claims Account, fiscal year 1894-1895.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions, requiring the concurrence of this Board:—

1. Ordering paid the salaries of Water Registrar, &c., for the month of October, 1895, when due, as per pay roll, amounting to $3,228.31.

(Adopted October 22nd, 1895.)

2. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on metres for the month of October, 1895, when due, as per pay roll, amounting to $540.

(Adopted October 22nd, 1895.)

3. Three (3) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted October 22, 1895.)

4. Awarding to M. R. Van Keuren the contract for constructing a main sewer in Mill Creek, between Grand street and Merseles street, also for a connecting sewer in Montgomery street, between Mill Creek and Cornelison avenue, and acquiring lands for the construction of the same.

(Adopted October 22, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the following salaries as per payrolls, for the month of October, 1895, when due:—

Laborers, on meters, $540.

Water Registrar, $3,228.31.

(Adopted October 22, 1895.)

2. "Awarding to M. R. Van Keuren, the contract for constructing a main sewer in Mill Creek, between Grand street and Merseles street, also for a connecting sewer in Montgomery street, between Mill Creek and Cornelison avenue, and acquiring of lands in construction of said sewer."

(Adopted, October 22, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid the following claims:—

October 8, 1895.

Joseph E. Frank, $30; J. C. News, $17.15, $15.75, $16.45 and $1610.

October 22, 1895:—

Thomas Holmes, $55.31; H. F. Hayes, $81.44; Boyd's Directory Co., $5; A. Datz, $51.50, $34.05, $22, $45, $12.50 and $1.50; Andrew Shaw, $51.50 and $95.50; Charles Conklin, $7; Wyckoff, Seamens & Benedict, $142.50; Barber Asphalt Paving Co., $60; Hugo Mootz, $2.50; W. H. Reese, $7.05; W. Harris, $8.30; J. P. Hall, $5; Edwin Randall, $3; Gilson, Collins & Co., $66.35, $85 and $47.50; N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., $8.90 and 90 cents; Duhme & Troll, $30 and $82.95; Thomas Rynn, agent, $28.13; F. D. Linn & Co., $2; Brinkman & Hauck, $79.05; F. P. Woodcock, $12.90; R. Monohan, $30.45; S. M. Jensen, $50.40, $21.20 $55.15 and $75.65; J. W. Harrison, $26.50; Frank McDermott, $19.50; Boyd's Directory Co., $5; J. C. News, $17.50, $15.75, $16.80 and $16.80; Evening Journal Association, $15.75, $21, $16.10, $15.40, $16.80, $4.40. $16.45 and $15.75; Theo. Smith & Brother, $3, $152.83, $187.15; United Gas Improvement Company, $10.50, $1.95, $6.15, $9, $9.60, 90 cents, $1.05 and $6.45.

The same committee further reported concurring in the resolution of the Board of Aldermen adopted October 22, 1895, assigning certain certificates of tax sales to Jacob Van Wagenen, Charles Clinton, Amelia Nicoll, Jacob German and Fred Drewes.

The report was receeived and the resolutions therein referred to were concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the president:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey and Simpson (3.)

Nays—None.

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Hardenbergh (2.)

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(Chargeable to account Martin Act).

$17.50 to J. C. News, publishing Martin Act notice (Sale No. 4245).

$54.75 to Martin Finck as Commissioner of Deeds, taking acknowledgements of City Collector to certificates of tax sales.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Baily and Simpson (3).

Nays—None.

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Hardenbergh (2).

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and supplies reported recommending the adoption of reolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(Chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, etc., year 1894-1895).

N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., telephone tolls Mayor's office, from June 1, 1895, to September 1, 1895, $38.05.

N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., telephone tolls, City Treasurer and City Comptroller's offices, from June 1, 1895, to September 1, 1895, $5.30.

R. H. Weaver, for taking down awnings of City Collector and City Comptroller's offices, $5.

John Golden, cleaning window panes in offices of City Treasurer, City Comptroller and Board of Finance, $2.50.

Albert Datz, printing and stationery for Mayor's office, $37.25.

Hugo Mootz, locksmith work in City Hall, $3.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey and Simpson (3).

Nays—None.

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Hardenbergh (2).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey and Simpson (3).

Nays—None.

Absent—Messrs. Detwiller and Hardenbergh (2).

By President Jones, on behalf of the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

Whereas, This Board received under date of May 9 the following resolution from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, adopted at the meeting of said Board at that date.

Whereas, The condition of the public dock at the foot of Morgan street is such as to require that it be largely rebuilt; and

Whereas, Proposals for such rebuilding, based on plans and specifications prepared by the Chief Engineer have been heretofore received;

Resolved, That the contract for such rebuilding be awarded to Sanford & Stillman Co. at the prices named in their proposal submitted to this Board on May 6, 1895, viz:—

For the whole work, as per plans and specifications, sixteen thousand ($16,000) dollars.

For each extra pile, eight and seventy-five hundredths ($8.75) dollars, that being the lowest bid received.

And that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby directed to prepare and have executed the necessary contract for the same; provided, however, that this award of contract shall be of no force or effect until the Board of Finance shall have first concurred therein and in addition to such concurrence, shall set aside to the credit of this Board a sum sufficient to cover the cost of such rebuilding, which said sum is herein estimated at seventeen thousand ($17,000) dollars, and is herewith requested;" and

Whereas, This Board has provided in the tax levy of 1895-1896 for a fund with which to meet the requirements of the contract for rebuilding the said Morgan Street Dock to the extent of $13,000, which, with the cash now on hand in the Morgan Street Dock account, will be sufficient to cover the cost of said rebuilding to the extent of the sum specified in the resolution quoted above, i. e., $17,000; and

Whereas, The approach of the winter season makes it imperative that the work contemplated under this contract be proceeded with so that the use of the dock may not be interfered with during the busy season which follows the close of the winter.

Resolved, That this Board concurs in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners at their meeting held May 9, 1895, and quoted above, provided, however, that no payments on account of contract with the said Messrs. Sandford & Stillman Company be made prior to December 1, 1895, in excess of the amount now on hand in the Morgan Street dock account, and that the city be not obligated by said contract to make any payments on account of said contract prior to said date in excess of the sum of $4,000; the balance of the amount which it has been estimated it will cost to defray the expenses of such rebuilding, etc., i. e., $13,000 having been appropriated by this Board for said purpose and not being available until December 1, 1895.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, Lot east part "21, block 230-232, Fairview avenue, was erroneously assessed for taxes for year 1894 on a valua-

tion of $1,700, representing a house and lot, when said assessment should have been on a vacant lot; therefore,

Reolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby directed to change on his books the valuation of lot east "21, block 230-232 Fairview avenue from $1,700 to $400, for year 1894, and fix the tax accordingly.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, lot 12, block 593, Ferris street, was erroneously assessed for taxes for the year 1894 on a valuation of $1,400 when the assessment should have been on a valuation of $1,000; therefore,

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to change on his books the valuation of lot 12, block 593, Ferris street, from $1,400 to $1,000 and fix the tax accordingly.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to transfer the sum of $2,500 from the account "Salaries" to the account "Claims," Board of Fire Commisioners, present fiscal year.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borow $52,871.52 on bonds to be issued in anticipation of the redemption of lands bought by the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City at the sale of the City Collector made October 8, 1895, of lands for unpaid adjusted taxes, assessments and water rents, said bonds to be payable at the option of the city, with interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, payable with the bonds, and the proceeds to be applied for the certicates of sale of the property purchased by the Mayor and Aldermen at said sales; and

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the City Collector for the sum of $52,871.52 in payment of certificates of sale of the property purchased by the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City at sale of said lands for unpaid adjusted taxes, assessments and water rents sold October 8, 1895, as per schedule annexed:—

Block.	Lots.	Amount.
593	"1 "2	$962 65
771	54	835 62
771	55	952 97
846	5 to 10	1,131 53
848	20	181 80
853	4M	148 63
859	4, 15	629 58
435	1, 2, 3	1,524 87
435	4	572 43
435	45	590 95
435	46, 47, 48	1,534 82
435	5, 6, 7	847 33
435	8 to 16	2,240 98
435	17 to 19	570 81
435	20	191 08
435	Gore	29 43
435	32 to 36	1,131 09
435	37 to 44	2,132 40
346	8	1,070 31
480	Plot B	22 92
1273	25	150 20
1295	46 to 49	499 53
1296	16	127 88
1317	2 to 7	655 90
1349	1	66 01
1349	6, 7	143 13
1349	8, 9	143 13
1349	10, 11	143 13
1349	12	73 56
1349	14	73 54
1349	15	67 13
1349	18, 19	127 09
1349	20	65 57
1349	21	73 60
1350	1	33 09
1350	4	42 47
1350	5	41 49
1350	6	38 01
1350	7, 8	72 16
1350	9	28 69
1350	10	28 69
1350	11	27 94
1350	12	27 95
1350	13	27 36
1350	14	27 36
1381	1 to 16	633 12
1350	15	27 95
1382	1 to 50	2,324 67
1385	1, 2	57 06
1384	1 to 23	1,092 88
1386	1 to 5	140 26
1387	1 to 8	191 43
1387	10, 12, 14	74 33
1387	16, 18	84 73
1387	20, 22	75 06
1387	26	53 45
1387	27, 28	98 14
1387	29, 30	106 94
1387	9 to 21 alt.	166 87
1388	1 to 7	205 27
1388	8 to 22	354 13
1388	23, 24	57 53
1388	25, 26	64 33
1388	27 to 33	439 62
1388	34	75 06
1388	35, 36	75 06
1388	37 to 53	397 39
1389	1 to 8	233 97
1389	9 to 21	305 33
1389	22, 23	57 68
1389	24 to 27	146 24
1389	29, 28	146 24
1389	39 to 42	146 26
1389	43 to 54	310 43
1391	1 to 4	257 91
1393	10	566 48
1393	12	76 09
1400	1 to 5	83 10
1401	1 to 18	477 92
1402	1 to 29	1,501 26
1421	4B	40 63
1421	East ½ 11	121 32
1471	102, 103	190 68
1472	17, 18, rear	112 92
1472	19, 20, rear	114 54
1472	21, rear	58 01
1472	22, rear	57 49
1472	23, rear	57 49
1472	24, rear	56 85

Block.	Lots.	Amount.
1472	25, 26, rear	109 45
1472	27, 28, rear	95 40
1472	31, 32, rear	95 38
1472	33, 34, rear	95 41
1472	36, rear	50 05
1472	37, 38, rear	95 41
1472	39, rear	49 32
1472	50, 51	145 82
1472	52	74 85
1472	60, 61	145 81
1358	138	416 50
1359	152	254 43
1359	157	194 01
1359	158, 159, 160	532 28
1363	31	208 61
697	8	254 25
697	18	81 38
697	9	254 25
697	17	81 38
697	10	284 52
697	11	284 52
697	12, ''13	628 91
720	69 to 71	195 00
720	A, B, C	195 96
696	12	42 63
1369	A	61 64
696	13 to 26	545 59
1371	B	239 40
1371	13	290 51
1377	1 to 4	298 58
1377	17 to 24	828 57
1377	28	117 66
1377	49 to 54	446 60
1379	West ½ 49	31 99
1379	West ½ 45, East ½ 47	118 33
1379	59	232 67
1380	40	121 76
1380	A	1,468 66
1380	C	895 01
1412	A	1,204 83
1412	27	142 56
1418	13	128 73
1419	2, 3	557 07
1422	1E	41 26
1479	7, 8	300 34
1481	1, 2, 3	779 07
1485	C	1,687 22
1486	4	134 70
1490	6 to 9	119 29
1490	11	34 26
1349	23	69 07
1349	24	69 08
1472	58	70 68
1472	29	47 63
1472	30	47 63
1471	95	82 78
1471	96	82 78
1481	5	97 32
1481	6	94 07
1472	66	84 54
339	70 to 73	1,483 30
1295	37	71 32
1295	50	130 96
1295	''62, ''63	873 00
1295	64	132 05
1377	16	37 70
1335	5	25 77
1376	29	287 10
1376	61	54 13
1376	62	63 00
1376	63	63 84
1376	65	34 23
1376	68	6 01
1416	''12, ''13	83 27
1418	16	35 76
1433	6	224 84
1475	70 to 84	439 65
1475	12	33 08
1475	1 to 5	309 00
1477	14	25 17
		$52,871 52

On motion of Mr. Simpson, the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Wednesday, November 6, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The call for the meeting issued by the President and which was for the transaction of general business, was read.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the "special" meeting of October 24, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the minute book, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented and received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Petition of Henriette Roth for the return of $28.49 for water rents, 1891, paid in duplicate.

Of Edward A. Hadden, to return $58.87, amount paid in error for certain taxes.

Of Lucia P. Ames, to return $45.69, paid in error for certain taxes.

A comunication was received from Abel I. Smith & Mabor, attorneys for William Funcheon, demanding payment of a judgment entered September 4, 1895, for $196.81 damages, and $34.77 costs, total, $231.58, in a suit in which William Puncheon was plaintiff and the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City and the Mayor and Council of the City of Hoboken were defendants.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims, and the Clerk of this Board directed to communicate with the attorneys named with the view of ascertaining the character of the suit.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Bernard Max, $29.05; J. Herbert Jotts, $198; James Atchison, $2.15 and $7.25; J. C. News, $34; E. R. Carson, $6; Peter Dafeldeker, $69.20; George B. Fielder, $60.53; James F. Norton, $132.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from Hugh Dugan, County Collector, notifying this Board that the taxes levied against Jersey City for State School and County purposes for the year 1895 are as follows:—

State School Tax	$246,469.23
County Tax	466,196.80
Total	712,666.03

Ordered filed.

3. The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of this Board were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and disposed of as follows:—

To the Committee on Finance:—

1. To set aside $5,000, in addition to the $2,500 already appropriated, to pay claims for advertising, etc., under the new improvement laws.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

2. Requesting an additional appropriation of $4,000, in addition to the $8,000 already appropriated, to pay for the purchase of ground and erection thereon of a building for Fire Department purposes, said building to be devoted to Truck Company No. 3.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

3. Requesting that the city purchase for the sum of $1,554.25 the lot adjoining Public School No. 8, on Hancock avenue, the eaves of said school building projecting some two feet seven inches over said adjoining lot; action of ejectment from the premises having been rendered against the city, and a writ having been issued to the Sheriff to take down said projection, which writ has never been executed, and the second suit is pending for the damages sustained by the overhanging of said property.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

4. Requesting an additional appropriation of $1,200 to pay expenses of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings for the current fiscal year.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

To the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. To pay certain claims.

(Adopted November 4, 1895.)

2. Four (4) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

3. Fixing the salary of John Durnan, rammer, appointed October 29, 1895, at $2.50 per day when engaged.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

4. Fixing the salary of Henry Scotten, inspector on the building of the addition to stand pipe at High Service at $5 per day when engaged.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

5. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Congress street, from Central avenue to Summit avenue (estimated cost of the improvement, $3,074.40).

(Adopted November 4, 1895.)

6. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service, for the month of October, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $4,523.37.

(Adopted November 4, 1895.)

7. Ordering paid the salaries of employes laying and repairing water pipe, for the month of October, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $3,008.87.

(Adopted November 4, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, etc., in the Water Department, for the month of October, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $1,522.

(Adopted November 4, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Fixing the salary of Henry Scotten, Inspector on the building of addition to stand pipe at High Service (appointed October 29, 1895) at $5 per day when engaged.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

2. Fixing the salary of John Durnan, rammer in Water Department (appointed October 29 1895), in place of John Reilly, at $2.50 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted October 29, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid the following salaries as per pay rolls, for the month of October, 1895:—

Belleville and High Service, amounting to	$4,523.37
General Superintendent, etc.	1,522.00
Laying and repairing water pipe.	3,008 87

(Adopted November 4, 1895.)

4. Awarding to Edward O'Donnell the contract for the improvement of Lake street, between Montrose avenue and the Hudson County Public Road, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the laws of 1895.

(Adopted October 15, 1895.)

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$58.41 to George B. Fielder, for registering deeds of property bought by the city under the "Martin act."

(Chargeable to account "Martin Act.")

$132 to James F. Norton for fees as Clerk to First Criminal Court.

(Bill of November 6, 1895.)

(Chargeable to account of Criminal Court fees.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

The Committee on Printing Stationery an Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$2.12 to George B. Fielder, for recording deed of Holland Co.

$69.20 to Peter Dafeldecker, carpenter work in City Hall, supplies, etc.

$6 to E. R. Carson for labor and materials, painting storm shed at City Hall.

$34 to Jersey City News for printing manual slips, pages 99 to 115.

$7.25 to James Atchison for stationery supplies for Mayor's office.

$2.15 to James Atchison for stationery suplies for City Clerk.

(All chargeable to account of printing, stationery, etc., 1894-1895.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

Nays—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Absent—Mr. Detwiller (1).

Nays—None.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Erie Transfer Company for $40.90, to return amount overcharged for water rents, year 1894, on lots 28 to 32, block 116, Pavonia avenue, and that the Water Registrar be notified.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library, June 5, 1895, to wit:—

"Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of Jersey City be and is hereby authorized to select and purchase as a site for a new Free Public Library such land within the corporate limits of the city as said trustees may deem best adapted for such purpose, the cost thereof to be defrayed from funds now in the hands of said trustees."

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Anthony A. Ryan of $393, Ninth avenue, New York City, for the sum of $27.12, to return duplicate payment of taxes on lot 40, block 1,276, as follows:—

Adjusted taxes, 1873	$4 05
Adjusted taxes, 1874	4 50
Adjusted taxes, 1876	3 87
Adjusted taxes, 1878	3 54
Adjusted taxes, 1879	4 20
Adjusted taxes, 1880	4 47
Interest from October 24, 1893 (date report No. 93 was filed) to April 15, 1895 (date of payment)	2 49
Total	$27 12

The taxes on said property for said years having been previously paid as per certificate of E. W. Woolley, City Clerk.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Lucia P. Ames, for the sum of $45.69, to return amount paid in error September 27, 1895, for taxes for the years 1890, 1891 and 1892, on lots 42 and 43, Block 1,303, on Myrtle avenue, the said taxes on said property having been adjusted in report No. 94, sold by City Collector and since redeemed.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, The sum of $2,500 heretofore set aside by this Board to the credit of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for the liquidation of claims for advertising, etc., under new improvement laws has been exhausted; and

Whereas, This Board has been requested by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners by resolution adopted October 29, 1895, to further set aside for the same purpose the additional sum of $5,000; therefore be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer on "Assessment" account for the sum of $5,000, to transfer to "General Account," as a loan, for the purpose of adding to the fund created for the use of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, in order that the provisions of Chapter 166, of the Laws of 1894, and Chapters 217 and 289 of the Laws of 1895, may be properly complied with; and further

Resolved, That when said sum of $5,000 shall have been expended, the Clerk of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners shall forward to this Board and also to the City Comptroller, an itemized statement of the expenditures made as against this appropriation, showing in detail the improvements to which the amounts are chargeable for the contemplated improvements by reason of which the expenditure was incurred.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, The Commissioners of Adjustment did in Report No. 86 filed January 5, 1893, adjust the unpaid taxes, etc., against lot 22, Block 126, at $93.16, and against lot 23, Block 126 at $56.34, and

Whereas, By change of lot numbers said Board of Commissioners of Adjustment made an error. The liens as against lot 22 should have been placed against lot 23, and the liens adjusted as against lot 23 should have been against lot 22; and

Whereas, Edward A. Hadden did on August 29, 1893, pay to the City Collector the sum of $58.87 (principle $56.34 and interest $2.53), being the amount of adjusted taxes, etc., against lot 23, in Block 126, supposing at the time that he was paying the city's lien against his own property; therefore be it

Resolved, That in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 154, of the Laws of 1894, page 227, that the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to change on his books the adjustment as made against lots 22 and 23, Block 126, and that the amounts be fixed as follows:—

On Lot 22, Block 126:—

Taxes 1884	$8 94	
Taxes 1885	5 84	
Taxes 1886	5 88	
Taxes 1887	5 76	
Taxes 1888	5 96	
Taxes 1889	5 60	
Taxes 1890	5 28	
Taxes 1891	5 68	
		$48 94
Summit avenue improvement.	$6 15	
Academy street improvement.	1 25	
		$7 40
Total		$56 34

On Lot 23, Block 126:—

Taxes 1875	$5 36	
Taxes 1887	5 16	
Taxes 1878	4 72	
Taxes 1879	5 60	
Taxes 1880	5 96	
Taxes 1881	5 80	
Taxes 1882	5 88	
Taxes 1883	6 56	
Taxes 1884	5 96	
Taxes 1885	5 84	
Taxes 1886	5 88	
Taxes 1887	5 76	
Taxes 1888	5 96	
Taxes 1889	5 60	
Taxes 1890	5 28	
Taxes 1891	5 68	
		$91 00
Academy street improvement.		2 16
Total		$93 16

And be it further

Resolved, That the payment made by said Edward A. Hadden on August 29, 1893, be credited as payment of liens against lot 22 (as corrected), and said property discharged from liens for the taxes and assessments as adjusted as aforesaid; and be it

Resolved, That the sale made October 25, 1894, by the City Collector to the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City of lot 22, block 126, for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc. (sale No. 4,641), be and the same is hereby ordered canceled; and be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $108.89, to refund amount paid City Collector as purchase money, October 25, 1894, for said lot 22, and that certificate of sale No. 2,403 be canceled forthwith; and be it

Resolved, That the City Collector pro-

ceed to collect, in accordance with law, the adjusted taxes, assessments, etc., against lot 23, as corrected.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $18.70, to return amount of taxes paid in error on lot 22, block 126, as follows:—

November 21, 1894, taxes 1892	$6 74
November 21, 1894, taxes 1893	6 00
October 18, 1895, taxes 1894	5 96
	$18 70

On motion of Mr. Simpson, the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

On Thursday, November 7, 1895, at the hour of eight o'clock P. M., at the regular meeting room of the Board of Finance, in the City Hall, I called the roll of membership of the Board of Finance, no one of whom responded thereto, all of said members being absent.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, November 21st, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the special meeting of November 6th, 1895, and of the regular meeting of November 7th, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:—

Petition of Walter Kissam, George S. Fellows and others requesting the concurrence of the Board of Finance in the resolution recently adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners concerning the improvement of Union street in laying of asphaltum pavement, so that said improvement may be finished this fall.

Received and ordered filed.

Petition of Hudson City Savings Bank to be paid the sum of $71.42 and interest at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum from October 19th, 1869, due said bank under declaration of sale for a lot recently taken for Herbert place.

Received and referred to Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of William F. Spierling, attorney of Peter W. Beckmann, to return $601.59, being the amount paid the city by Peter W. Beckmann in the redemption of certain property, &c.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of Lucia P. Ames for the return of $30.23 surplus of sale for adjusted taxes.

Referred to Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Postal Tel. Cable Co., $15.47, $4.05; Western Union Tel. Co., $6; Lammers & Tiedeman, $40.75; W. P. Douglass, $147; Andrew J. Boyle, $98; Chronicle Publishing Co., $38; Felt & Tarrant Manufacturing Co., $5; W. E. Skinner, $13.62; W. W. Farrier, $2.50 and Hugo Mootz, $2.75.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the City Collector:—

Jersey City, November 13th, 1895.

Honorable Board of Finance, Jersey City, N. J.:—

Gentlemen—Your Honorable Board concurring, I hereby appoint Robert B. Jordan as assistant to the messenger for the months of December and January prox at a salary of twenty-five ($25) dollars per month.

Yours truly,

S. H. SMITH,

City Collector.

Received and referred to Committee of the Whole.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1. Resolution to assign certain certificates of tax sales to Charles F. Brooker and Theresa C. Heevly.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

2. Resolution to sell and convey to John Casey certain property bought by the city at tax sale and for which the city holds deed.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

3. Resolution to sell and convey to Henry J. Melosh certain property bought by the city at tax sale, and for which the city holds deed.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners the following resolutions requiring the concurrence of this Board:

1. Two (2) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

2. To award the Wrought Iron Bridge Co. the contract for the improvement of Thirteenth street, between Coles street and Hoboken avenue, by the construction of a viaduct, &c.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

3. To pay certain awards for damages sustained and land taken in the opening of Mercer street and establishing the grade between Merseles street and Mill road, establishing a new grade on Church street from Mill road to Baldwin avenue, and improvement of Mercer street, between Merseles street and Summit avenue, and awarding to Henry Byrnes the contract for the grading, paving, &c., of Church street, from Mill road to Summit avenue, also awarding to Henry Byrnes the contract for improvement of Mercer street, from Merseles street to Factory street to and connecting with the viaduct, and under the viaduct from Factory street to Cornelison avenue; also awarding to Post & McCord the contract for the building of a steel viaduct in Mercer street, from Factory street west to Mill road, and paving the roadway of said viaduct with brick pavement, &c.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

4. To pay certain awards for real estate taken in the construction of a main sewer in Mill Creek, between Grand and Merseles streets; also for a connecting sewer in Montgomery street, between Mill Creek and Cornelison avenue.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

5. Awarding to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Union street, from Ocean avenue to Bergen avenue (estimated cost, $18,185.50).

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

6. Awarding to Sheridan & Shea Co. the contract for the improvement of Old Bergen road, between Boulevard and

Gates avenue, and Bartholdi place and Jackson place, between Ocean avenue and Old Bergen road.

(Adopted November 19th, 1895.)

7. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted November 19th, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the salaries of Water Registrar, &c., for the month of November, 1895, when due, amounting to $3,228.31, as per pay roll.

(Adopted November 19th, 1895.)

9. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters for the month of November, 1895, when due, amounting to $540, as per pay roll.

(Adopted November 19th, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the Board of Education:—

1. Resolution requesting an appropriation of $2,000 to pay the salaries of teachers appointed to new class rooms fitted up in Schools 10 and 20.

(Adopted November 14th, 1895.)

2. Resolution requesting that the following transfers be made:—

$5,000 from account fuel to accunt repairs.

$1,000 from account census to account repairs.

(Present fiscal year's appropriations.)

(Adopted November 14, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following communications were also presented and received and they were disposed of as follows:—

Petition of Michael Finley for the return of $13.30 for overcharge for water rents years 1888 to 1894, inclusive.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Communication from John L. Keller notifying this Board that judgment was entered in the Supreme Court of this State in favor of James S. Erwin against the city for $1,035.70 damages and costs and requesting that payment be provided for, including interest from November 6th, 1895, the date of entering of judgment.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported recommending that the official bonds of the following constables:—Daniel T. Barrett, First District; Michael A. Egan and Edward F. O'Grady, Second District, and Charles Budden and Michael A. Shannon, Fourth District, sureties each in the sum of $1,000, be not approved, owing to insufficiency of sureties, &c., and that the bonds be returned to the constables named.

The report was received and filed, and the recommendations therein contained were adopted.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions be concurred in:—

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1. To assign certificates of tax sales to Charles F. Brooker and Theresa C. Heevly.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

2. To sell and convey to John Casey certain property bought by the city at tax sale and for which the city holds deed.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

3. To sell and convey to Henry J. Melosh certain property bought by the city at tax sale, and for which the city holds deed.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

1. Awarding to the Barber Asphalt Paving Co. the contract for the improvement of Union street, from Ocean avenue to Bergen avenue.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

2. Awarding to Sheridan & Shea Co. the contract for the improvement of Old Bergen road, between the Boulevard and Gates avenue, and Bartholdi place and Jackson avenue, between Ocean avenue and Old Bergen road. (Improvement to be made under the old law.) (Estimated cost, $12,199.)

(Adopted November 19th, 1895.)

3. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Lincoln street, between Central avenue and the Hudson County Public Road, conformably to Chapter 217 of the laws of 1895. (Estimated cost, $10,000.)

(Adopted October 15th, 1895.)

4. Awarding to Thomas Harrington the contract for the improvement of Congress street, from Central avenue to Summit avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the laws of 1895. (Estimated cost, $3,074.40.)

(Adopted November 4th, 1895.)

5. To award to Wrought Iron Bridge Co. the contract for the improvement of Thirteenth street, between Coles street and Hoboken avenue, by the construction of a viaduct, &c.

(Adoped November 12th, 1895.)

6. To pay certain awards for damages sustained and land taken in the opening of Mercer street and establishing the grade between Merseles street and Mill road, establishing a new grade on Church street, from Mill road to Baldwin avenue, and improvement of Mercer street, between Merseles street and Summit avenue, and awarding certain contracts to Henry Byrnes and Post & McCord.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

7. To pay certain awards for real estate taken in the construction of a main sewer in Mill Creek, between Grand and Merseles streets; also for a connecting sewer in Montgomery street, between Mill Creek and Cornelison avenue.

(Adopted November 12th, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the following salaries for the month of November, 1895, when due, as per pay rolls:—

Water Registrar, &c., $3,228.13.

Laborers on meters, $540.

(Adopted November 19th, 1895.)

9. Awarding to Bernard Feeney the contract for the improvement of Hancock avenue, between Bowers street and Congress street. (Estimated cost, $7,196.30.)

(Adopted October 15th, 1895.)

10. Ordering paid the following claims:

October 8th, 1895:—

Jersey City Herald, $9.75; Jersey City News, $17.15; Jersey City Herald, $5.50, and Evening Journal Association, $14.35.

October 22d, 1895:—

Evening Journal Association, $15.40 and $31.20; Jersey City Herald, $7, $5.50, $5.50, $5, $5.50 and $5.50; Jersey City News, $19.25 and $30.

October 29th, 1895:—

Jersey City News, $14.35 and $15.05; Evening Journal Association, $30, $14, $15.75, $14.35, $15.40, $16.43, $15.75, $15.75, $16.45 and $15.75; Jersey City Herald, $5.50, $5.50, $5.50, $5, $5, and $5.50; William J. Burns, $11.10; W. W. Farrier, $481.67, $34.55, $1.50, $8.65, $51, $72.20, $80.27 and $78; J. F. Underhill, $228.08 and $30.50; Wood & Menagh, $208.91; F. A. Smith, $11.31; Brinckman & Hauck, $260 and $160.30; Savage & Callary, $225.66 and $114.05; Robert McArthur, $59.50 and $66.74; M. J. Russell, $44; Holzer, Cabot Electric Co., $36.77 and $2; United Gas Improvement Co., $6.30, $14.10, $7.05 and $11.10; Robert Edgar, $44.80; A. Datz $10; M. T. Connolly, $158.13; W. H. Black, $4.80; H. R. Worthington, $45.50 and $10.87.

November 4th, 1895:—

George T. Bouton, $96.84 and W. W. Ruggles, $44.73.

November 12th, 1895:—

N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., $6.25, $1.20, $17.60 and $41.25; Brinckman & Hauck, $84.10; W. W. Farrier, $9.60; N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., $49.30; A. Datz, $15.75; C. L Rugge, $77.59; J. H. Gautier, $8 and $12; Joseph E. Franck, $81; Wood & Menagh, $195.75; Evening Journal Association, $15.

November 19th, 1895:—

Thomas Moran, $7.50; J. H. Gautier, $16.05; Holzer, Cabot Electric Co., $45.25; Luke Kilduff, $81.20; N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., $108.55; William J. Burns, $13.20; H. R. Worthington, $2 and $20.40; T. C. Brown & Van Anglen Co., $16.33; F. A. Smith, $11.50; Vanderbeek & Son, $5.50; T. C. Brown & Van Anglen Co., $3; Brown & Miller, $78.05 and $43.54; F. A. Smith, $44; Henry Scotten, $10; W. W. Farrier, $12, and Washburn Bros. Co., $21.18.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the president:—

Ayes—All the members of the Board, five (5) in number.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$180 to James F. Norton, fees as clerk First Criminal Court from Auust 29 to October 3, 1895, both inclusive (chargeable to account fees received from Criminal Courts).

$702.65 to N. J. Title and Abstract Co. (bill of $799.15 reduced) for making searches under the Martin Act.

$345.60 to Evening Journal Association (bill of $353.40 reduced) for publishing City Collector's sale No. 13.

$20 to C. S. Westervelt for extra services on Commissioners of Adjustment' reports for month of November, 1895, when due.

$25 to F. P. Van Saun for typewriting, &c., City Comptroller's office for the month of November, 1895, when due.

(All chargeable to Martin Act account.)

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of November, 1895, when due, to wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney, for cleaning rooms.

$40 to Charles Golden, for tending fires.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of November, 1895, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City News, $229.16; The Evening Journal, $229.16; the Jersey City Herald, $229.16.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of N. P. Wedin, for $70 for services as Assistant Clerk to the District Court, during the month of November, 1895, when due; (To be paid only out of District Court fees).

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Albert Payne for $51.11 for services as Marshal to the Second District Court during the month of November, 1895, when due, as follows:—From November 1 to 6 and from November 13 to November 30, 1895, inclusive, 23 days (suspended by Judge McGrath from November 6 to 13, 1895.

(To be paid out of District Court fees.)

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of November, 1895, when due, as follows:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to William F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Charles F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to William H. Vermylyea, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$150 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$100 to William C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$75 to Edward P. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the president:—

Ayes—All the members of the Board, five (5) in number.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims (chargeable to account printing, stationery, &c., years 1894-1895):—

$40.75 to Lammers & Tiedeman for janitor's supplies for City Marshal's use in City Hall.

$13.62 to William E. Skinner for fees Sup. Ct. Court ex rel., the Board of Health of Hoboken vs. Ravine Road Sewer Commissioners and the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City.

$2.50 to W. W. Farrier for plumbing work at Board of Finance office.

$5 to Felt & Tarrant Manufacturing Co. for supplies for Comptroller in City Comptroller's office.

$4.05 to Postal Tel. Cable Co. for messenger service to Board of Finance.

$38 to Chronicle Pub. Co. for warrant books for use in City Clerk's office.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted, and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the president:—

Ayes—All the members of the Board, five (5) in number.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the president:—

Ayes—All the members of the Board, five (5) in number.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, At a public sale made by the City Collector of Jersey City on the 24th day of April, 1894, one H. F. Knapp purchased for the sum of $40.56 that lot or plot of land fronting on Magnolia avenue, Jersey City, which is laid down and designated as lot 47 in block 582, upon an assessment map annexed to report number 85, made by the Commissioners of Adjustment; a certified copy of said report and map was filed in the office of the City Collector of Jersey City on August 30, 1892; and

Whereas, It appears upon examination that said lot 47, in block 582, is laid out as a street (although no transfer of said property has as yet been made to the city), and therefore never should have been sold; therefore, be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of H. F. Knapp for the sum of $47.81 to return amount paid to city ($40.56) on April 24, 1894, and legal expenses ($7.25), said warrant to be delivered upon surrender of certificate of sale No. 2,063; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Clerk of Jersey City be and he is hereby directed to cancel the record of said sale of lot 47, block 582, sold to said H. F. Knapp on April 24, 1894. (Sale No. 4,413.)

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, A petition has been presented to this Board on April 18, 1895, by Jacob and Henry N. Van Wagenen for the adjustment of taxes for the years 1893 and 1894 on part plot G. 1 and part plot ½ G, both in block 122, owing to the fact that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of this county have taken for the extension of the Hudson County Public Road a part of the above mentioned plots; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to change the assessment for taxes on plot part G. 1,

above named, so that the assessed valuation may appear as follows:—

Plot part G. 1, assessed at $1,400, reduced to $200, and that the assessed valuation of plot part ½ G. remain at $2,000, and that the City Collector be directed to fix the tax against the above-mentioned plot part G. 1 for the years named according to such valuation.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, At a public sale made by the City Collector on the 14th day of October, 1891, one H. F. Knapp purchased for the sum of $23.29 that lot or plot of land on Cornelison avenue, which is laid down and designated as lot A, in block 350, upon an assessment map annexed to report number 64, made by the Commissioners of Adjustment; a certified copy of said report and map was filed in the office of the City Collector of Jersey City, on November 18, 1890; and

Whereas, By order of Hudson County Circuit Court made August 3, 1895, that the adjustment and sale heretofore made on lot A, block 350, Cornelison avenue, report No. 64, be set aside on account of indefinite taxes, and that the costs and purchase money be returned to the person or persons entitled to receive the same upon certification by the Corporation Counsel; therefore, be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of H. F. Knapp for the sum of $102.54 to return amount paid to city ($23.29) on October 14, 1891, and legal expenses ($79.25), said amount to be delivered upon the surrender of certificate of sale No. 717; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to cancel the record of said sale of lot A, block 350, Cornelison avenue, sold to H. F. Knapp on October 14, 1891. (Sale No. 2,140.)

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Traphagen & Beekman, attorneys of Henriette Rath, for $28.49 for duplicate payment of water rents for year 1891 on lots 29 and 30, block 953, Stagg street, and $4.68 for interest from February 15, 1893, to November 15, 1895, making a total of $33.17 to be returned, said water rents having been paid February 15, 1895, and as adjusted in Report No. 90 and sold by the City Collector, redeemed October 10, 1895.

The first payment shows the following penalty and interest paid:—

On lot 29—Water rents, $11.40; penalty, 34 cents, and interest 92 cents.

On lot 30—Water rents, $14.25; penalty, 43 cents, and interest, $1.15.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Michael Finley for $13.30 to return amount overcharged for water rents, year 1888 to 1894, inclusive, on lot 34, block 565, Laidlaw avenue, the assessment having been levied on a three-story building exceeding 25 feet in width, instead of a three-story building not exceeding 25 feet in width; and that the Water Registrar be notified.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the appointment by the City Collector, November 13, 1895, of Robert B. Jordan as assistant to the messenger in the City Collector's office for the months of December, 1895, and January, 1896, be and is hereby consented to, and that the salary of said Robert B. Jordan be and is hereby fixed at the rate of $25 for each of said months, payable out of account printing, stationery, &c., 1895-1896.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby directed to change on his books the assessment for taxes, year 1894, against lot 10, block 977, County Road, from $500 to $100, so that the property should appear assessed as a vacant lot, instead of a house and lot, the Tax Commissioners having certified that the building formerly on said lot was destroyed by fire on October 9, 1893, and that the tax be fixed by the City Collector accordingly.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Whereas, The attention of the members of this Board has been called to the seizure of the public streets in the Lafayette section of the city (and also lands owned by the city,) by one of the railroad corporations, and upon consultation with the Corporation Counsel we are advised that the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, who have control of the public streets and thoroughfares and city property are the proper persons to act in matters of this kind, we therefore respectfully suggest to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners that prompt and drastic measures should be enforced without delay.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That in acordance with the provisions of Chapter 146 of the laws of 1895 one-half of the license fees received by the city from July 1, 1895, to July 1, 1896, for licenses to sell spiritous or malt liquors be and the same is hereby appropriated and set apart for the repaving, repairing and improving of paved streets and city thoroughfares and the reconstruction of sewers and for no other purpose.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $4,800 to transfer said amount from liquor license account to special street account to enable the city officers to properly carry out the provisions of a certain resolution heretofore passed by this Board appropriating 50 per cent. of the liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1895, under Chapter 146 of the laws of 1895.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Sinking Fund Commission for the sum of $2,400 on account of 25 per cent. of the liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1895, and now due said Commission.

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $2,400 on account of 25 per cent. of liquor license fees collected on and after July 1, 1895, the same to be credited to the special school account of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for the construction and furnishing buildings for the public school department of the city, and for no other purpose, in accordance with Section 29 of Chapter 127 of the laws of 1889

By President Jones:—

Whereas, All contracts for public improvements awarded by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners require the concurrence of the Board of Finance and the approval of the Mayor before they become operative; and

Whereas, Certain bidders, contractors, have in many instances commenced work under contracts awarded by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, and in some instances have completed the work before concurrent action has been taken by the Board of Finance, thus apparently attempting to force such concurrent action; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be requested to adopt measures to prevent any successful bidder from depositing any material required for the contemplated improvement in the street to be improved or any street adjacent thereto, or to enter upon such work until the contract has been concurred in by the Board of Finance and has been signed by the Mayor.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Wednesday, November 27th, 1895, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of confirming the tax levy made and all the taxes assessed by the Board of Tax Commissioners of Jersey City for the year 1895, and receiving from said Board the transcripts of the same in book form, for delivery to the City Collector for collection, and for the transaction of "General Business."

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, to be deposited to the credit of December, 1895, interest, as follows:—

On General Account	$13,500
On General Account to pay interest on Assessment Bonds	21,000
On Water Account	8,750
Total	$43,250

By Mr. Bailey—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, to transfer from Adjusted Lien Account collections made September 19th, 1895, to November 21st 1895, as follows:—

To General Account	$7,703 32	Adjusted Taxes, 1894.
To General Account	344 00	Advertising Sales.
To Tax Average Fund, 1893	8,246 32	Adjusted Taxes, 1893.
To Tax Average Fund, 1892	11,250 11	Adjusted Taxes, 1892.
To Tax Average Fund, 1891	9,318 29	Adjusted Taxes, 1891.
To Tax Average Fund, 1890	6,622 75	Adjusted Taxes, 1890.
To Tax Average Fund, 1889	5,131 58	Adjusted Taxes, 1889.
To Tax Average Fund, 1888	3,662 06	Adjusted Taxes, 1888.
To Tax Average Fund	6,465 04	Adjusted Taxes, 1875 to 1887.
To Tax Average Fund	3,909 82	Interest on Adjusted Taxes, &c.
To Fund, 1873	57 53	Adjusted Taxes, 1872 and previous years.
To Fund, 1873	260 20	Adjusted Taxes, 1873 and 1874.
To Assessment Account	11,330 24	Adjusted Assessments.
To Water Account	3,382 29	Adjusted Water Rents.
Total	$77,683 55	

By Mr. Bailey—

Resolved, That upon the reports of the Corporation Counsel and City Comptroller endorsed upon the petition of Lucia P. Ames a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Lucia P. Ames for Thirty dollars and twenty-three cents, for account of surplus realized upon the tax sale, under Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1886 and the supplements thereto, made by the City Collector on April 16th, 1895, of Lots 42 and 43, Block 1303, Myrtle avenue, over and above the sum as adjusted due the city, with interest, cost and disbursements.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Wednesday, November 27, 1895, at ten o'clock A. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Absent—Mr. Bailey (1).

The Board of Tax Commissioners filed with this Board thirteen books, being transcripts of the Tax Levy made by them for the year 1895.

The following resolution was then offered by President Jones on behalf of the Committee of the Whole:—

Resolved, That the tax levy made and all the taxes assessed by the Board of Tax Commissioners of Jersey City for the year 1895, transcripts of which have been filed in book form with this Board, be and the same are hereby confirmed on this 27th day of November, 1895, at 10:10 o'clock A. M., and that the Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to deliver the same to the City Collector for collection.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey (1).

The regular order of business was then taken up.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petition of Russ & Heppenheimer, to return five dollars erroneously assessed for water rents for year 1895.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claim was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies:—

Jersey City News, $13.50.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from the City Collector, dated November 25, 1895, certifying that he has received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, for collection, the following assessment map:—Main sewer in West Side avenue, from Broadway to Fairmount avenue, with laterals on Stuyvesant avenue, DeKalb avenue, Glenwood avenue, Montgomery street and Fairmount avenue (dated October 23, 1895, and amount due at this date, $26,198.20.)

The communication was ordered filed.

Four (4) resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners November 25, 1895, ordering paid certain claims were presented, received and referrred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the official bond of George Schaaff, as Constable, from the Third Aldermanic District, reported recommending that the said bond be received and approved and that the same be spread at large upon the bond book and filed.

The report was received and the bond of George Schaaff as Constable from the Third Aldermanic District, in the sum of $1,000, with E. R. Wessells and Paul Haller as sureties, was approved by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey (1).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Simpson, and the same was adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (4).

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Bailey (1).

Resolved, That on and after the first day of December, 1895, the salary of Charles Golden, now employed to look after the furnace and heater fires in the City Hall be and is hereby fixed at the rate of $60 per month, until the further orders of this Board for the reason, that in addition to the duties required of him as above mentioned the said Charles Golden is called on to act as messenger, etc., in the offices of the Mayor and Board of Finance, and that the amount of increase of present salary be paid out of the account of printing, stationery, etc., of fiscal year 1895-1896.

After hearing Mr. Edward Hoos, member of the Board of Education, and Mr. Henry Snyder, Superintendent of Schools, in relation to the requests made by the Board of Education for a transfer of $6,000 from certain accounts to the account of repairs, all of present fiscal year, and for an appropriation of $2,000 to pay salaries of teachers employed in new class rooms fitted up in Schools Nos 10 and 20, the Board took a recess of ten minutes.

Upon the reassembling of the Board the same members were present as at roll call, four (4) in number.

Mr. Simpson moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Friday next, November 29, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

There being no further business the Board then, on motion of Mr. Simpson, adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK.
Clerk.

Adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Friday, November 29th, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones, and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

The Board then took up the regular order of business.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Education:—

Resolution adopted November 29th, 1895.

Resolved, That the resolution requesting the transfer of $6,000 to account "Repairs" be and is hereby rescinded; and further

Resolved, That the Board of Finance be and they are hereby requested to make the following transfers:—

From account Fuel to account Repairs, $2,000.

From account Census to account Repairs, $1,000.

All of fiscal year 1894-1895.

Received and referred to Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

Ordering paid the following claims:—

October 29, 1895, Steele & Condict, $107.95.

November 12, 1895, James F. Blackshaw, $181.74.

November 19, 1895, Jarvis F. Underhill, $18, $33.40, $66, $219.34 and $44.99.

November 25, 1895, Steele & Condict, $77.05; Brush & Alberts, $125; Brown & Miller, $52.54; United Gas Improvement Company, $10.50 and $9.45; Gilson, Collins & Co., $44 and $359.58; F. P. Woodcock, $11.17; W. W. Farrier, $281.82, $24, $56.64 and $190.60; Duhme & Troll, $2.55; A. Datz, $5; Bartley Coyle, $38.75; Jarvis F. Underhill, $13; M. T. Connolly, $430.20 and $325.10; Luke Kilduff, $94.30, $70.80, $36.10, $61.20 and $34.40; W. P. Lendrum, $42; J. W. Harrison, $36; Alex Hamill, $30.25; Savage & Callary, $300.84 and $60.38; Ernst Schantz, $4.57; F. A. Smith, $15.16; Jarvis F. Underhill, $74.39.

The report was received and the claims were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of a resolution ordering paid the following claim:—

$198 to J. Herbert Potts, fees as Judge First Criminal Court (bill dated Nov. 6, 1895).

(Chargeable to account Criminal Court fees).

The report was received and the claim was ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$29.05 to Bernard Max, for window glass furnished for use in City Hall.

$2.75 to Hugo Mootz, for locksmith work in City Hall.

(All chargeable to account of printing, stationery, etc., year 1894-1895.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By President Jones:—

Whereas, This Board has been advised by the Corporation Counsel that it has the right to refuse to concur in the purchase of any materials and merchandise, unless the nature, quality and price thereof are fully reported to said Board before purchase; therefore be it

Resolved, That hereafter this Board will not concur in or make any provision for the payment of any claim or obligation incurred by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for men employed, merchandise or materials purchased by said Board of Street and Water Commissioners, for the Water Department of this city, unless the employment of such men and the rate of compensation to be paid, and the nature and quality of such merchandise or material, and the price thereof, is first submitted to this Board for its approval.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, Requisition has been made upon this Board by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, October 29, 1895, for the sum of $1,200, to supplement the appropriation heretofore made to said

last named Board for public grounds and buildings, current fiscal year, and the Board of Finance being satisfied that the sum asked for is necessary to keep the public parks, etc., in order for the balance of the present fiscal year; therefore

Resolved, That this Board hereby appropriates to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners the sum of $1,200 (in addition to the appropriation heretofore made) for the use of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, present fiscal year, and that in order to raise said sum of $1,200 the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to issue a temporary loan bond for said amount at a rate of interest not to exceed 4 per cent. per annum, and that said sum of $1,200 be placed in the next tax levy.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That hereafter the Assistant Clerk of the First District Court and the Marshal of the Second District Court be and are hereby required to render monthly bills for services performed on the prescribed blanks of this Board.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to make the following transfers on account Board of Education, fiscal year 1894-1895:—

$2,000 from account fuel to account repairs.

$1,000 from account census to account repairs.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms in the City Hall on Thursday, December 5, 1895, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The following minutes were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr. Detwiller:—Regular meeting November 21, and adjourned meetings November 27 and 29, 1895.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petition of Joseph A. Cronkright for the return of amounts overcharged, and paid, for certain water rents.

Petition of Peter W. Beckman to refund $601.59 paid in redemption of certain property.

Petition of Henry Thompson for the return of a duplicate assessment for personal taxes, year 1895.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Official bond of Charles Bodden as Constable of the Fourth Aldermanic District in the sum of $1,000 with H. C. Becker and Julius Meyer as sureties (this bond is in place of one now in hands of the Finance Committee of this Board).

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of John J. Toffey, Trustee, for the return of $80.28, surplus paid in redemption of certain property.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

The following communications were also presented and disposed of as follows:—

John A. Dennin, notifying this Board of the judgment obtained by John Nolan, against the Mayor and Alderman of Jersey City, and requesting payment of same.

From James A. Gordon, Attorney:—

Jersey City, N. J., December 4, 1895.

To the Honorable the Board of Finance of Jersey City.

Gentlemen—On the 8th day of June last I recovered a judgment against Jersey City for Willard L. Waite for the sum of five hundred and sixty-six 40.100 dollars damages and fifty-one 76.100 dollars, costs of suit, which has not yet been paid. I would therefore request your Board to order the payment of the same with interest to the date of payment.

Yours respectfully,

JAMES A. GORDON,

Attorney for Willard L. Waite.

Damages..	$566 40
Costs..	51 76
Interest from June 8, 1895....	18 54
Amount due December 5, 1895.. ..	$636 70

Jersey City, N. J., December 4, 1895.

To the Honorable the Board of Finance of Jersey City:—

Gentlemen—On the 29th day of August, 1895, as the attorney for Bernhard Meyer, I recovered a judgment against Jersey City for the sum of $692.00 damages and $27.62 costs of suit, and I have in several communications requested payment through your Board, but the amount is still unpaid, although I am informed that a warrant was ordered by your Board for the payment of the amount, and a warrant for the judgment, without interest, is in the possession of the City Clerk, there being a large amount of interest due on the judgment, I request that your Board provide for the payment of the judgment with costs and interest to the date of payment.

Yours respectfully,

JAMES A. GORDON,

Attorney for Bernhard Meyer.

Damages	$692.00
Costs	27.62
Interest from August 29, 1892.....	140.92
	$860.54

The Communications were each referred to the Corporation Counsel.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

J. W. Harrison, $399.90; W. A. Gahagen, $375; J C. News, $30; James Atchison, $16.05; P. H. Hanley, $10; Randolph Perkins, $24 and $36; Frank Stevens, $42.52; George B. Fielder, $24.46; John G. Fisher, $16.25; J. W. Harrison, $87; N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., $1,175.03.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Fire Commissioners:

Resolution requesting Board of Finance to transfer $1,000 from account repairs to Department Buildings, to account Rebuilding Fire Department Headquarters (fiscal year 1895-1896).

From the Board of Police Commissioners:—

Resolution requesting that the balance of account Committee on Salaries be transferred to credit of Committee on General Claims (fiscal year 1894-1895).

From the City Hall Commission:—

Resolution requesting Board of Finance to appropriate $1,000 to pay for heating New City Hall building.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The folowing resolutions were presented by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for concurrence by this Board, and they were referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of November, 1895, as per payrolls, amounting to $4,572.34.

(Adopted December, 2, 1895.)

2. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers employed laying and repairing water pipe, for the month of November, 1895, as per pay roll, amounting to $2,741.63.

(Adopted December 2, 1895.)

3. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, etc., in the Water Department for the month of November, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $1,484.

(Adopted December 2, 1895.)

4. Three resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted December 2, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported, recommending that the following resolutions of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the following salaries of employes for the month of November, 1895, as per payrolls:—

General Superintendent, etc., $1,484.

Laying and repairing water pipe, $2,741.63.

Belleville and High Service, $4,572.34.

(Adopted December 2, 1895.)

2. Ordering paid the following claims:—

November 12, 1895—Savage & Callary, $181.91.

November 19, 1895—S. J. Blakey, $5 and $37.50.

December 2, 1895—A. Datz, $18.50 and $8.75; Hugo Mootz, $6.50; Bartley Coyle, $10; Hine & Robertson, $4.50; United Gas Improvement Co., $3.30; Hugo Mootz, $3.35; F. A. Smith, $5.90; W. W. Farrier, $38.05; Brinckman & Hauck, $55.20; A. Datz, $4.35, $5, $21, $4.75, $6, $15.30 and $6.

The report was received and the resolutions therein contained were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$24.46 to George B. Fielder for recording deeds of property purchased by Jersey City at tax sales.

$42.52 to Frank Stevens, commissions for collection of rents.

$24 to Randolph Perkins for drawing assignments of tax sales of property purchased by the city under Tax Adjustment Act and taking acknowledgements on deeds.

$36 to Randolph Perkins, for drawing deeds for property sold to the city under Tax Adjustment Act.

(All chargeable to account "Martin Act.")

$98 to Andrew J. Boyle for fees as Clerk to Second Criminal Court for month of October, 1895.

$147 to William P. Douglass for fees as Judge Second Criminal Court for October, 1895.

(All chargeable to account Criminal Court fees.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the president:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5.)

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—$13.50 to Jersey City News for publishing City Collector's notice concerning the sending of tax bills by mail to applicants.

$399.90 to J. W. Harrison for stationery, etc., furnished to City Collector.

$30 to Jersey City News for printing manual pages Nos. 116-130.

$16.05 to James Atchison for stationery supplies to City Treasurer and City Comptroller and Board of Finance.

$10 to P. H. Hanley for furniture for Mayor's office.

(All chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, etc., year 1894-1895.)

$375 to William A. Gahagen for rebuilding Soldiers' Monument in Jersey City's plot in N. Y. Bay Cemetery, according to plans, etc.

(Chargeable to special appropriation.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Peter W. Beckman for the sum of $601.59 to refund the amount paid City Treasurer April 25, 1895, in error for the redemption of Lot 371, Block 745, sold J. E. Ferling, on October 9, 1889, for unpaid adjusted taxes, etc.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $2,300.80 (including $50 referee's fees) in favor of John Nolan, to pay the judgment obtained in the Hudson County Circuit Court in the suit of John Nolan against the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, for work done, etc., at Belleville Pumping Station of the Jersey City Water

Works, said amount to be paid out of Water Account, and the City Clerk be directed to deliver above warrant only upon the production of a proper satisfaction piece.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to make the following transfer, account of Board of Fire Commissioners, fiscal year 1895-1896:—

$1,000 from Account "Repairs to Department Buildings" to account to "Repairs Fire Department Headquarters."

By President Jones:—

Whereas, A requisition has been made upon this Board for the sum of $1,000 by the City Hall Commissioners for the purpose of heating the new City Hall building; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the sum of $1,000 be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose named, upon the following conditions:—That the heating apparatus and all risk of injury or damage to the heating apparatus shall be borne by the furnishing contractor, and that the use of said heating apparatus, which is engaged at a fixed price per diem, shall not be considered or construed as an acceptance of delivery on the part of the city of the heating apparatus; and that the Finance Committee of this Board issue a temporary loan bond in the sum of $1,000 at a rate of interest not to exceed 4 per cent. per annum, and that the amount be placed in the next tax levy.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, December 19, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 5, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:

Of John E. Andrus, for the return of $245.35, surplus paid in the redemption of lands sold for unpaid adjusted tax, etc.

Of Mary M. Macklin, for the return of $27.50, paid in error for taxes, 1895.

Of Louis C. Bullock, to return $12.52, paid in error for taxes, 1892, 1893 and 1894.

The official bond of John J. Charleson, constable from the Fifth Aldermanic District, in the sum of $500, with Patrick Flynn and Henry Atkinson as sureties was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of Edwin W. Ackerman, to return $212.99, duplicate payment of assessment of sewer in New York avenue, from North street to South street.

Petition of estate of George Gifford to return $27.50, duplicate payment of taxes year 1895.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:

Albert Payne, $15.55; Charles Golden, $20; J. Herbert Potts, $231; James F. Norton, $154; Richard Drumond, Jr., $70; N. Y. & N. J. Tel Co., $4.33; Postal Tel. Cable, $3.65 and $20.55; John J. O'Hara, $15; J. W. Harrison, $26; C. S. Westervelt, $30; F. P. Van Saun, $25; Carrie L. Callais, $20.30; J. W. Harrison, $87.00 N. P. Wedin, $70.00; N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., $517.53.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:—

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1 To assign certain certificates of tax sales.

(Adopted December 10th, 1895.)

2. To sell and convey to Percy A. Gaddis and Edward B. Colby, certain property bought by the City at tax sales.

(Adopted December 10th, 1895.)

3. To assign a certain certificate of tax sale to Edward H. Davey.

(Adopted December 17th, 1895.)

Referred to Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

4. To transfer certain balances of appropriations to the account of General Claims. (Account of Board of Aldermen fiscal year 1894-1895.)

(Adopted December 17th, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the City Hall Commission:—

1. To rescind the resolution, adopted December 2nd, 1895, asking for the appropriation of $1,000 to pay for heating new City Hall building.

2. To request the Board of Finance to appropriate $300.00 to pay for heating the new City Hall building.

(Adopted December 14th, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Board of Education:—

1. Requesting the transfer of certain balances of appropriations to the account of General Claims. (Account of Board of Education, fiscal year 1894-1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Commissioners of Adjustment:—

1. To request the Board of Finance to set aside the sum of $5,000.00, to defray the present current expenses of said Commissioners.

(Adopted December 5th, 1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

1. Two (2) resolutions to purchase supplies etc.

Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

2. Three (3) resolutions to purchase supplies.

(Adopted December 12th, 1895.)

3. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for cleaning the streets in Jersey City, and removing ashes and garbage, for the term ending November 30th, 1896.

(Adopted December 6th, 1895.)

4. Authorizing the Street and Water Board to enter into an agreement with the street cleaning contractor for such street sweeping and removal of ashes and gargage as is immediately necessary, under terms of the pending new contract, agreement only binding until the concurrence by the Board of Finance of new contract.

(Adopted December 16th, 1895.)

5. Requesting Board of Finance to further set aside $5,000.00 to pay claims for advertising improvements (under laws of 1894-1895) previous appropriations having been exhausted.

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

6. Awarding to Henry Byrne, the contract for the improvement of Ege avenue from a point about 312 feet west of Ocean avenue to Jackson avenue (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, Laws of 1895) (estimated cost $2,247.66.)

(Adopted December 16th, 1895.)

7. To award to Edward O'Donnell the contract for the improvement of West Side avenue, from Yale avenue to Cul-

ver avenue,(estimated cost $9,804.50) (under old Law.)

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

8. To award to Patrick T. Plunkett the contract for the construction of vitrified pipe sewer in Magnolia avenue, from 250 feet east of Chestnut avenue, to and connecting with sewer in Chestnut avenue (conformably to provisions of Chapter 217 of Laws of 1895) (estimated cost $1,297.13.)

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

9. To award to Sheridan & Shea Co. the contract for the improvement of Virginia avenue, between Jackson and Bergen avenues, (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, Laws of 1895) (estimated cost $7,129.25.)

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

10. Two (2) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

11. Two (2) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted December 16th, 1895.)

12. Awarding to Patrick T. Plunkett the contract for the construction of a lateral sewer in Marion place, from West Side avenue to Giles avenue (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895) (estimated cost $1,005.-13.)

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

The Corporation Counsel, to whom was referred December 5th, 1895, the communication of James A. Gordon, Attorney, concerning the interest due ($140.92) on claim for judgment against the City, in the suit of Bernhard Meyer, reported that, as the Board of Fire Commissioners have received from this Board an appropriation of $2,500.00 to pay claims contracted prior to April 23, 1894, and have ordered paid on January 16, 1895, the said judgment including cost, amounting to $719.62, but having omitted to provide for the interest now claimed, and advises that a copy of the communication of the said James A. Gordon, Attorney, be sent to the Board of Fire Commissioners for their action thereon.

The Corporation Counsel also reported submitting the communication of James A. Gordon, Attorney,, for Willard L. Waite, (referred to him December 5, 1895) requesting setttlement of the judgment obtained in the latter's favor, for $636.70, in a suit brought against the City; this communication which now bears the endorsement of the Corporation Attorney, that the statement concerning the judgment mentioned in the communication, is correct, and the Corporation Counsel advises the payment of the judgment.

The reports of the Corporation Counsel were received.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions be concurred in:—

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1. To assign to Edmund H. Davey a certain certificate of tax sale.

(Adopted December 17th, 1895.)

2. To assign to Edward B. Colby and others, certain certificates of tax sales.

(Adopted December 10th, 1895)

3. To sell and convey to Percy A. Gaddis and Edward B. Colby, certain property bought by the City and for which the City holds deeds.

(Adopted December 10th, 1895.)

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

1. Awarding to Patrick T. Plunkett the contract for the construction of vitrified pipe sewer in Magnolia avenue, from 250 feet east of Chestnut avenue, to and connecting with sewer in Chestnut avenue, (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895) (estimated cost $1,299.13).

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

2. Awarding to Edward O'Donnell, the contract for the improvement of West Side avenue, from Yale avenue to Culver avenue, (estimated cost $9,804.50.)

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

3. Awarding to Patrick T. Plunkett the contract for the construction of a lateral sewer in Marion place, from West Side avenue to Giles avenue, (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, of the Laws of 1895) (estimated cost $1,005.-13.)

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

4. Ordering paid the following claims:—

October 8th, 1895—Brown & Miller, $175.39.

December 9th, 1895—Edward O'Donnell, $33.35; Richard Jackson, $11.25; W. H. Arrowsmith, $3.00; J. A. Vill, $6.70; A. Datz, $35.50; J. F. Underhill, $11.13; R. B. Ingram, $4.35; E. O'Hara, $10.00; George Dompierre, $12.00; Henry Scotten, $87.50.

December 16th, 1895:—Evening Journal Association, $45.00; J. Schellenberger, $22.90; Savage & Callary, $110.18; W. W. Farrier, $4.54; Holzer Cabot Electric Co., $4.94; J. F. Underhill, $62.56 and $23.60; Wood & Menagh $198.32.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolution ordering paid the following claims:—

$517.53 to N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., for searching titles under the "Martin Act."

$1,175.03 to N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., for searching titles of property purchased by the City under "Martin Act."

$25.00 to F. P. Van Saun, for typewriting, etc., under "Martin Act," for month of December, 1895, when due.

$30.00 to C. S. Westervelt for extra services under "Martin Act" for month of December, 1895, when due.

$26.00 to J. W. Harrison, for printing and stationery for Corporation Counsel, (all chargeable to account "Martin Act").

$70.00 to N. P. Wedin, Jr., for services as Assistant Clerk, First District Court, for month of December, 1895, when due.

$15.55 to Albert Payne for services as Marshal of Second District Court, from November 6th to November 13th, 1895, at rate of $66.66 per month (chargeable to account of District Court Fees).

The same committee further reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of December, 1895, when due, to wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney for cleaning rooms.

$40 to Charles Golden for tending fires.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of December, 1895, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City News, $229.16; the Evening Journal, $229.16; the Jersey City Herald, $229.16.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of December, 1895, when due, as follows:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250.00 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250.00 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250.00 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125.00 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125.00 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125.00 to Wm. F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100.00 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$100.00 to W. H. Tutttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150.00 to Martin Finck, Clerk Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100.00 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100.00 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100.00 to Chas. F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

100.00 to Wm. H. Vermylea, Clerk to City Collector.

$100.00 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60.00 to Jas. L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125.00 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125.00 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125.00 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100.00 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100.00 to James H. Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$250.00 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assistant Clerk.

$125.00 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$100.00 to Wm. C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$75.00 to Edward T. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

$125.00 to T.Y. Brown, Draughtsman to Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

The report was received and the recommendations therein contained, were accepted and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

Ayes— President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The same committee further reported recommending that the petition of Carl G. A. Schumann and Emil Schumann for the return of certain water rents for years 1883 to 1894 inclusive, claimed to be erroneously assessed, be not granted, and that the Clerk of this Board be directed to return all papers.

The report was received, and the recommendations of the Committee were adopted by the same vote as the previous one, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims, (all chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, etc.):—

$87.00 to J. W. Harrison, for stationery, etc., for City Comptroller.

$20.30 to Carrie L. Callais, for typewriting in Mayor's office.

$3.65 to Postal Telegraph Cable Co., for messenger service to Board of Finance, for November, 1895, (to be paid out of appropriations for year 1894-1895.)

$70.00 to Richard Drummond, Jr., for delivering to delinquents tax warrants issued by the Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes, for personal taxes due for 1894.

$20.00 to Charles Golden, for extra services as messenger to offices of Mayor and Board of Finance for month of December, 1895, when due.

(To be paid out of appropriation for years 1895-6.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson 5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Edwin W. Ackerman for $212.99 for duplicate payment of assessment for sewer in New York avenue, from North to South streets, on Lots 134 and 135, Block 796, New York avenue, paid February 27, 1895, being duplicate of payment made May 14, 1884; provided, however, that the warrant above mentioned shall not be delivered by the City Clerk until the one set of bills, showing the duplicate payment shall first have been filed in this office.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer to the order of the Commissioners of Adjustment for $5,000 out of proceeds of and collections from adjusted city liens for taxes, tax sales, assessments and water rents, said sum being required by said Commissioners of Adjustment to properly perform and carry out the provisions of the act creating said Commissioners.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:

Whereas, An appeal was made by Mary M. Macklin to the Board of Appeals in Cases of Taxation against the assessed valuation of $21,000 on Lots 13 and 15, Block 35, Nos. 47 and 49 Sussex street, and a reduction was made of $1,000 on same as per her notice, dated December 12, 1895; and

Whereas, The said Mary M. Macklin inadvertently on December 11, 1895, paid the taxes on said property as originally assessed, supposing the bill received from the City Collector showed the amount as reduced; therefore,

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Mary M. Macklin for $27.42 to return amount inadvertently paid December 11, 1895, for taxes year 1895, on Lots 13 and 15, Block 35, Nos. 47 and 49 Sussex street.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, Requisitions have been previously made by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for the setting aside of certain sums of monies for the purpose of liquidating claims for advertising improvements under the provisions of the Laws of 1894-1895, and such requests have been granted and the sums set aside for the said purpose; and

Whereas, A further requisition having been made by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners by resolution adopted by said Board December 9, 1895, for the sum of $5,000; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby direct the City Comptroller to transfer on his books the sum of $5,000 from "General Account" to Assessment Account as a loan in order that claims incurred by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for advertising improvements under the provisions of the Laws of 1894-1895, may be liquidated.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That upon the reports of the Corporation Counsel and City Comptroller, endorsed upon the petition of John E. Andrus, a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John E. Andrus for $245.35, for amount of surplus realized upon the tax sale, under Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1886 and the supplements thereto, made by the City Collector on March 26, 1890, of Lots 46 and 48, Block 603, Oak street, over and above the sum as adjusted due the city, with interest, cost and disbursements.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:

Whereas, An error having been made by the Board of Tax Commissioners in twice assessing Henry Thompson for personal property and poll tax for year 1895; therefore

Resolved, That the assessment for personal property and poll tax for year 1895 on Lot 21, Block 198, No. 211 Grand street, be cancelled of record by the City Collector, for the reason that a similar charge is also made on Lot G, Block 167, No. 238 Henderson street, for same year, and that a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Henry Thompson for $9.24 to return amount paid November 29, 1895, for erroneous assessment for personal property and poll tax, on Lot 21, Block 198, No. 211 Grand street, for year 1895.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, Under the provisions of Section 4, Chapter 36, of the Laws of 1895, all fines and costs collected by any of the Criminal Courts of this city shall be paid by the Clerk of such court to the Comptroller or City Treasurer, "who

shall keep a separate account thereof, and no fees shall be paid to said Judge and Clerk except out of said moneys realized from fines and costs imposed and collected;" therefore

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is herewith requested to set aside, commencing December 1, 1895, the amounts received from each of the Criminal Courts, so that the claims, when presented by the Judges and Clerks as their fees, may be paid out of the moneys received from their respective courts.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Sinking Fund Commissioners for the following amounts:—

To pay $7,000, Engine House No. 1, bonds, due January 1, 1897, act February 25, 1889	$1,000
To pay $8,000, Fire Department Building bonds, due July 24, 1901, act March 9. 1893, resolution May 23, 1893	1,000
To pay $8,000, Fire Department Building bonds, due September 10, 1902, act March 9, 1893, resolution August 27, 1894	1,000
To pay $450,000, 6 per cent. bonds, due June 1, 1910, being 3 per cent. of amount, act February 18, 1889	13,500
To pay $150,000 5 per cent. bonds due April 1, 1911, being 3 per cent. of amount, act March 3, 1881	4,500
To pay $525,000 5 per cent. Water Bonds, due February 1, 1913, act January 30, 1883	12,000
To pay $548,000 5 per cent. Assessment bonds, and $200,000 5 per cent. general bonds, due January 2. 1922, act June 9, 1890	15,000
To pay $700,000 5 per cent. assessment (gold) bonds, due September 1, 1923, act March 16, 1893, resolution August 17, 1893	14,000
To pay $600,000 5 per cent assessment (gold) bonds, due May 1, 1924, act March 16, 1893, resolution April 12, 1894	12,000
To pay $1,000,000 6 per cent. bonds, due April 1, 1904, act February 21, 1884, resolution April 7, 1884	30,000
Total	$104,000

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City purchased from Francis W. Mitchell on or about April 11, 1890, the lot of land known as No. 21 in Block No. 143 on map of Wright & Smith, more particularly described on map of I. B. & D. E. Culver, paying therefor $1,500, to be free and clear of all encumbrances, and about the time of the payment of the full amount of the purchase money to the said Francis W. Mitchell, it was discovered that there was a recorded lien against the property held in the name of the Hudson City Savings Bank, represented by a "declaration of sale" given by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Hudson on the 28th day of October, 1869, for the sum of $71.42, which declaration or certificate was to bear interest at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum, and

Whereas, The lien or indebtedness has not been discharged and is still due and unpaid; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby requested and directed to make demand upon the said Francis W. Mitchell for the payment of the claim, viz, $71.42, with interest at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum from October 28, 1869, and if such claim is not paid or discharged within a reasonable time, to commence suit against the said Francis W. Mitchell for the payment of the same, and to perfect the title according to the terms of agreement entered into between the said Francis W. Mitchell and the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City as expressed in the deed of conveyance.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, to be deposited to the credit of January, 1896, interest as follows:—

On General Account	$ 53,832.25
On General Account, to pay interest on Assessment Bonds	24,200.00
On Water Account	51,852.50
Total	$129,884.75

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $100,000 on account of County Taxes of 1895.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board December 5, 1895, appropriating $1,000 to the City Hall Commission for the purpose of paying for the heating of the new City Hall, etc., be and is hereby reconsidered and rescinded.

By President Jones:—

Whereas, A requisition has been made upon this Board for the sum of $300 by the City Hall Commission, by resolution adopted December 14, 1895, for the purpose of heating the new City Hall building; therefore be it

Resolved, That the sum of $300 be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose named, upon the following conditions:—That the heating apparatus and all risk of injury or damage to the heating apparatus shall be borne by the furnishing contractor, and that the use of said heating apparatus, which is engaged at a fixed price per diem, shall not be considered or construed as an acceptance of delivery on the part of the city of the heating apparatus, and that the Finance Committee of this Board issue

a temporary loan bond in the sum of $300, at a rate of interest not to exceed 4 per cent per annum, and that the amount be placed in the next tax levy.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the date fixed for the reception of taxes for 1895, by the City Collector, without penalties, be and the same is hereby extended until January 15, 1896, inclusive.

By Mr. Bailey, on behalf of the Committee on Finance:—

Whereas, The Board of Street and Water Commissioners of Jersey City, being the municipal Board having the control of the erection of buildings for Fire Department purposes have by resolution passed October 29, 1895, requested this Board in accordance with Chapter 362 of the Laws of 1895 to increase, by the amount of $4,000, the appropriation of $8,000 made August 27, 1894, for the purchase of ground and the erection thereon of a new building for Fire Department purposes in that section of Jersey City known locally as the Hudson City section; therefore, be it

Resolved, That for the purpose of augmenting the said appropriation made August 27, 1894, there be issued bonds of Jersey City to the amount of $4,000, payable in eight years from the date thereof, bearing interest at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum, payable January 1 and July 1, and that the Committee on Finance of this Board be authorized to have said bonds prepared and executed under the seal of the city and the proper officers thereof.

Resolved, That there shall be a sufficient sum placed in the tax levy of the city each year to pay the interest upon such bonds, and also the further sum of $1,000 toward the final payment thereof, which said sum shall be deposited in the Sinking Fund of the city and properly invested toward the final payment of the bonds hereby authorized to be issued, as provided in Chapter 362 of the laws of 1895 by virtue whereof said bonds are hereby authorized to be issued.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, January 2, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 19, 1895, were approved as engrossed in the minute book.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Petition of J. J. Detwiller for the return of $16.50 for erroneous payment of taxes, year 1895.

Petition of the Estate of James Gopsill, deceased, to be allowed to receive a certain warrant now in the City Clerk's office on the filing of the necessary bond of indemnity.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., $9.80; Spencer Weart, $25.78; J. C. News, $3; Randolph Perkins, $32; N. Y. and N. J. Tel. Co., $36.12, and $16.67; A. Datz, $39; Albert Payne, $66.66; J. W. Harrison, $27.85; J. C. News, $24; R. F. Jordan, $25; and A. Datz, $25.10.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Education:—

Resolution adopted December 26, 1895, requesting that the following transfers of balances of apropriations be ordered made:—

$541.30 from account "Fuel" to account "General Claims."

$1,051.05 from account "Fuel" to account "Repairs."

(All fiscal year, 1894-1895.)

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Ordering paid the salaries of Water Registrar, etc., in the Water Department for the month of December, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $3,168.31.

(Adopted December 23, 1895.)

2. Ordering paid the salaries of the laborers on meters for the month of December, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $540.

(Adopted December 23, 1895.)

3. Three (3) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted December 23, 1895.)

4. To award to Sheridan & Shea Co. the contract for the improvement of Oakland avenue, between Hoboken avenue and Prospect street. (Estimated cost, $10,513.20.) (Conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the laws of 1895.)

(Adopted December 23, 1895.)

5. To authorize the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs to enter into a contract with the N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co. to construct and maintain a private wire from High Service to Gate House at Belleville, equipped with telephone at either end at a cost not to exceed $200 per year.

(Adopted December 23, 1895.)

6. Three (3) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted December 30, 1895.)

7. To purchase certain supplies.

(Adopted December 23, 1895.)

8. To purchase certain supplies and the doing of certain work.

(Adopted December 23, 1895.)

9. To do certain work and purchase certain articles.

(Adopted December 30, 1895.)

10. Two (2) resolutions to purchase certain supplies.

(Adopted December 30, 1895.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the official bond of J. J. Charleston, constable from the Fifth Aldermanic district, with Patrick Flynn and Henry Atkinson, as sureties, reported recommending that said bond be received and approved, ordered spread at large upon the bond book and filed.

The report of the Committee was received, the recommendations were adopted and the bond was accepted by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for the improvement of Ege Avenue from a point about 312 feet west of Ocean Avenue to Jackson Avenue (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, Laws of 1895) estimated cost $2,247.66.

(Adopted December 16, 1895.)

2. Authorizing the Street and Water Board to enter into an agreement with the street cleaning contractor for such street sweeping and removal of ashes and garbage as is immediately necessary under terms of the pending new contract, agreement only binding until the concurrence by Board of Finance of new contract.

(Adopted December 16, 1895.)

3. Authorizing the construction and maintainance of a private telephone wire from the High Service Reservoir to the Gate House at Belleville Reservoir, epuipped at both ends; cost not to exced $200 per annum.

(Adopted December 23d, 1895.)

4. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters, as per pay roll, amounting to $540, for month of December, 1895, when due, and of the Water Registrar, etc., in the Water Department for the month of December, 1895, as per pay roll, when due, amouting to $3,168.31.

(Adopted December 23d, 1895.)

5. To award to Sheridan & Shea Co. the contract for the improvement of Virginia Avenue, between Jackson and Bergen Avenues, (conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895,) estimated cost $7,129.25.

(Adopted December 9th, 1895.)

6. Awarding to Henry Byrne the contract for cleaning the streets of Jersey City, and removing ashes and garbage for term ending November 30th, 1896.

(Adopted December 6th, 1895.

7. To purchase three water pressure guages for Belleville, and to increase the height of stand pipe at reservoir No. 3 by 14 feet, and place a 12-inch gate in said stand pipe.

(Adopted December 23, 1895.)

8. Ordering paid the following claims:

December 23, 1895—A. Datz, $55.50; Duhme & Troll, $8; M. T. Connolly, $12; R. D. Wood & Co., $51.94; United Gas Improvement Co., $4.05; J. F. Underhill, $4.50; Joseph Seals, $23; Savage & Callary. $264.61; J. E. McArthur, $69.25; H. F. Hayes, $90.25, and Joseph E. Frank, $75.

December 30, 1895—Savage & Callary, $251.40; C. Steck & Son, $84.40; Theo. Smith & Bro., $423.50 and $13.05; United Gas Improvement Co., $13.95; Brown & Miller, 56c., $443.35, $107.90, $43.91, $421.52 and $283.47; Wood & Menagh, $107.79; A. J. Doan, $26.50; H. R. Worthington, $4.42; Brinckman & Hauck, $8.10; W. W. Farrier, $72.50 and $17.80; Hine & Robertson, $4.75; J. F. Underhill, $36.48 and J. E. McArthur, $25.86.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

In connection with the resolution awarding the contract for cleaning the streets and removing garbage and ashes to Henry Byrne above referred to, the Board ordered that the letter of W. W. Ruggles, Chief Engineer, dated December 16, 1895, be entered in full on the minutes and filed, and that the copy of the specifications adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and submitted to this Board be received and filed. The letter of the Chief Engineer is as follows:—

Jersey City, December 16, 1895.

Martin Finck:—

Dear Sir—Enclosed please find a copy of specifications for street cleaning, etc. The total cost for 1894-1895 is $34,414.35, which includes $1,441.00 for removing snow. Estimated cost for 1895-1896 is for section No. 1, $10,730.00; for Section No. 2, $9,980.00; for Section No. 3, $8,800.00; for Section No. 4, $8,250.00. Total, $37,760, plus the cost printing.

Yours respectfully,

W. W. RUGGLES.

Per L. M.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported as follows:—

Jersey City, January 2, 1896.

Hon. Board of Finance:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Salaries and Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph A. Cronkright for the return of certain water rents paid and claimed by him to have been erroneously assessed for years 1885 to 1892 inclusive, respectfully report recommending that the said petition of Joseph A. Cronkright be not granted, the Corporation Counsel having advised, as will appear by his endorsement on the petition, that the Board do not allow the relief asked for in the petition.

Your committee would further recommend that the petition be ordered returned.

J. W. HARDENBERGH,

R. SIMPSON,

Committee on Salaries and Claims.

The report was received and the recommendations therein contained were adopted by the votes of all the members present, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The same committee further reported submitting resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$66.66 to Albert Payne for services as Marshal Second District Court for month of December, 1895.

(Chargeable to District Court Fees.)

$39 to Albert Datz for printing and stationery for City Clerk for use under "Martin Act."

(Chargeable to account "Martin Act.")

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson —5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$25.10 to A. Datz for stationery, etc., for Mayor's office.

$25 to Robert B. Jordan for services as assistant to messenger to City Collector during December, 1895.

$24 to Jersey City News for printing manual, pages 131-142.

$27.85 to J. W. Harrison for stationery and supplies, Mayor's office.

$15.47 to Postal Telegraph Cable Company for messenger service, month of October, 1895, and telegrams Mayor's office.

$6 to Western Union Telegraph Company for time service at Mayor's office, from July 1 to December 31, 1895—six months.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson —5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board December 6, 1894, ordering paid the claim of Collins & Corbin for $515.07 be and the same is hereby rescinded, and that the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to cancel the warrant now in his office for said amount; the service for which this claim was presented having already been ordered paid in the claim of said Collins & Corbin for $312.32, passed by this Board October 3, 1895.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That all matters received by this Board and referred to their appropriate committees shall not be acted upon at the meeting when they are received, except at the request of all the members of the Board present.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That all the resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners since November 29, 1895, providing for the purchase of certain supplies and the doing of certain work, and presented to this Board for its concurrence, be and the same are hereby ordered returned to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for the reason that the resolutions do not state the prices of the articles to be purchased in compliance with the resolution adopted by this Board November 29, 1895, and the present Corporation Counsel advising this Board that it has the power to request the Board of Street and Water Commissioners to give the information desired.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to transfer to the account of General Claims 1894-1895 the following unexpended balances of appropriations of same year of Board of Aldermen:—

Salaries, $1,034.07; District Court salaries, $1,181.93; care of horse of Building Inspector, $198; printing and stationery, $674.08; insurance and repairs on City Hall, $91.44; light and heat at City Hall, $242.47; public ordinances in book form, $200, and elections, $6,756.83.

The money so transferred to be used only in the payment of claims contracted for during the fiscal year from December 1, 1894, to November 30, 1895.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James A. Gordon, Attorney of Willard L. Waite, for $639.29, to pay judgment and costs recovered against Jersey City in favor of Willard L. Waite (damages, $566.40; costs, $51.76; interest from June 8, 1895, to January 2, 1896, $21.13). And that the Committee on Finance of this Board be and are hereby authorized to issue a temporary loan bond for said amount, at a rate of interest not to exceed 4 per cent. per annum, and that the amount be placed in the next tax levy and that the City Clerk shall deliver said warrant only upon the filing of a proper satisfaction piece.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to transfer the balance accruing to the credit of the Committee on Salaries, fiscal year 1894-1895, to the credit of the Committee on "General Claims" account of the Board of Police Commissioners.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the resolution, adopted by this Board December 19, 1895, concerning the setting aside of the sum of $5,000 for the purpose of paying claims of Street and Water Board for advertising notices or "Improvements," be and is hereby rescinded.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Whereas, A further requisition having been made by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners by resolution adopted December 9, 1895, for the sum of $5,000 to pay for advertising notices of "Improvements" under the provisions of Chapter 217, of the Laws of 1895, etc.; therefore be it

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer on "Assessment account," for the sum of $5,000 to transfer said amount to "General Account" as a loan, for the purpose of adding to the fund created for the use of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners in order that the provisions of Chapter 166 of the Laws of 1894, and Chapters 217 and 289 of the Laws of 1895 may be properly complied with; and further

Resolved, That when said sum of $5,000 shall have been expended the Clerk of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners shall forward to this Board and also to the City Comptroller an itemized statement of the expenditures made as

against this appropriation to which the amounts are chargeable for the contemplated improvements.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $5 in favor of Russ & Heppenheimer, attorneys of The William Peter Brewing Co., to return amount erroneously assessed for "bar" for water rents, year 1895, against Lot 22, Block 931, No. 188, Zabriskie street, and that the Water Registrar be notified.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Frew, attorney of Estate of George Gifford, for $27.48, for duplicate payment of taxes for year 1895, on Lot part 31A, Block 361-363, Belmont avenue, paid December 17, 1895, being duplicate of payment made December 13, 1895, and that the City Collector be notified.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $12.52 in favor of Louis C. Bullock, amount paid on Lot 80, Block 26-54, Wright avenue, for taxes of the following years:—1892, $4.26; 1893, $4.13, and 1894, $4.13; total, $12.52, upon condition that said warrant shall be used only to apply on account of payment of taxes, as adjusted, and that the total amount of said adjusted bill be paid at one time.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of J. J. Detwiller for the sum of $16.50, to return to him amount erroneously charged for taxes, year 1895, on Lots 7C and 7D and 6C and 6D, Block 1,426, Danforth avenue, and paid November 30, 1895; the taxes on said property should have been made to appear as $165 and not $181.50, the error having been made by the Clerk in making out the bill.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Wednesday, January 15, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

The call for the meeting which was for the transaction of "General Business" was read. (This meeting to take the place of the "Regular" meeting to be held Thursday, January 16, 1896.)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the "Regular" meeting held January 2, 1896, were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions of Mrs. Joseph E. Deutsch to return $19.98, duplicate payment of water rents for year 1895.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of F. Herterich to cancel the taxes for 1894 charged against certain property bought by him at tax sale October 31, 1894.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

J. Herbert Potts, $177; James F. Nor- $118; W. P. Douglass, $75 and $81; A. J. Boyle, $50 and $54; J. C. News, $3 and $33; Office Specialty Manufacturing Co., $81; A. Datz, $6; C. S. Westervelt, $30; F. P. Van Saun, $25; N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., $20; Postal Tel. and Cable Co., $3.30 and $14.14; Charles Golden, $20; Robert B. Jordan, $25 and N. P. Wedin, $70.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From His Honor the Mayor:—

Jersey City, January 2, 1896.

Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—I beg leave to inform your honorable Board that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 391 of the Laws of A. D., 1895, I have appointed the following named gentlemen members of the Board of City Hall Commissioners of Jersey City:—

Hon. Samuel D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

Mr. George R. Hough, City Comptroller.

Mr. Emil E. Datz.

Very Respectfully,

PETER F. WANSER,

Mayor.

Received, ordered entered in full on the minutes and filed.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

Annual report of said Board for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1895.

Received and ordered filed.

From the City Collector:—

Communication certifying that he has received from the County Clerk Report No. 102 made by the Commissioners of Adjustment, amounting to $174,476.09 (filed November 25, 1895).

Received and ordered filed.

From the City Collector:—

Communication certifying that he has received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for collection in his office the following assessment maps:—

Improvement of Ogden avenue, from Bowers to Congress street, $13,538.

Changing grade West Side avenue, from Yale to Culver avenue, $1,527.

Improvement of Lafayette street, from Monitor to Van Horne street, $10,603.

Improvement Virginia avenue, from Ocean to Bergen avenue, $3,849.

S H. SMITH,

City Collector.

Received and ordered filed.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of this Board:—

1. To purchase certain supplies. (Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs).

(Adopted January 6, 1896.)

2. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted January 6, 1896.)

3. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted January 13, 1896.)

4. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted January 13, 1896.)

5. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of December, 1895, as per payrolls, amounting to $4,494.56.

(Adopted January 6, 1896.)

6. Ordering paid the salaries of employes laying and repairing water pipe for the month of December, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $2,852.88.

(Adopted January 6, 1896.)

7. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, etc., in the Water Department for the month of December, 1895, as per payroll, amounting to $1,- 423.50.

(Adopted January 6, 1896.)

From the Board of Fire Commissioners:—

Communication through the Clerk of said Board, setting forth that in the matter of paying interest of $140.92 in the case of Bernhard Meyer, when judgment was obtained for $719.62, including costs, that said Board have only available the sum of $90.28 towards paying this interest.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported, recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners January 6, 1896, be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, etc., for December, 1895, $1,423.50.

2. Ordering paid the salaries of employes repairing and laying water pipe for December, 1895, $2,852.88.

3. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for December, 1895, $4,494.56.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$25 to F. P. Van Saun, for typewriting, etc., Comptroller's office, for month of January, 1896, when due.

$30 to C. S. Westervelt for itemizing reports of Commissioners of Adjustment for month of January, 1896, when due.

(Chargeable to account "Martin" Act.)

$70 to N. P. Wedin for services as Assistant Clerk to First District Court for January, 1896, when due.

(Chargeable to account District Court fees.)

$50 to Andrew J. Boyle for fees as Clerk Second Criminal Court ,for November, 1895.

$54 to Andrew J. Boyle for fees as Clerk Second Criminal Court for December, 1895.

(Chargeable to account of Criminal Court Fees.)

The Committee further reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of January, 1896, when due, to wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney, for cleaning rooms.

$40 to Charles Golden, for tending fires.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of January, 1896, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City News, $229.16; The Evening Journal, $229.16; The Jersey City Herald, $229.16.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of January, 1896, when due as follows:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J .H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to William F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk of Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to W. H Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Charles F Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to William H. Vermilyea, Clerk to C ty Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James H. Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$250 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, secretary to Mayor.

$75 to E. T. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

$100 to Wm. C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

125 to T. Y. Brown, Draughtsman to Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

The report was received and the several resolutions therein contained were adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$25.78 to Spencer Weart for disbursements as Corporation Attorney.

$9.80 to N. J. Title Guarantee & Trust Co., for searching titles of property adjoining Public School No. 8, to be bought by the city.

(Chargeable to account printing, stationery, etc., 1894-1895.)

$20 to N. J. Title Guarantee & Trust Co., for rent of safe in vaults for safe keeping of papers, etc., of Board of Fi-

nance, from January 14, 1896, to January 14, 1897.

$6 to Albert Datz for printing for City Collector.

$4.33 to N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., for moving telephone instrument of Corporation Attorney from room No. 59 to room No. 50 in Weldon Building.

$3 to J. C. News for printing for City Collector.

$33 to J. C. News for advertising Collector's notice of date when interest will be added on taxes, 1895.

$81 to Office Specialty Manufacturing Co., for copying machine and supplies.

$36.12 to N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., for rental of telephone in City Treasurer's office to March 31, 1896.

$20 to Charles Golden for extra service rendered as messenger to Mayor and Board of Finance for month of January, 1896, when due.

$25 to Robert B. Jordan for services as assistant to messenger to City Collector for January, 1896, when due.

$3.30 to Postal Tel. Cable Co., for messenger service Board of Finance during month of December, 1895.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board, five (5) in number on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That this Board hereby concurs in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners of October 29, 1895, to purchase for the use of the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City for the sum of $1,554.25, in payment for the land and all damages and costs and that the said sum be paid out of the license moneys set apart for the Board of Education, subject to a draft of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, and said sum to be paid out of said fund when the Corporation Counsel shall certify that the city has a good title to said land, and that he cause the necessary searches to be made.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That in accordance with Section 5, Chapter 289, Laws 1895, Temporary Loan Bonds to the amount of $15,406.39 be and the same are hereby authorized to be issued; said bonds to be payable on demand with interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum; the proceeds from the sale of said bonds to be used for the payment of certain awards for damages sustained and land taken in opening Mercer street and establishing the grade between Merseles street and Mill road, establishing a new grade on Church street, from Mill road to Baldwin avenue, and improvement of Mercer street between Merseles and Summit avenue, concurred in by this Board November 21, 1895, (printed minutes page 126, year 1895).

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 328, Laws of 1894, Temporary Loan Bonds be and the same are hereby authorized to be issued to the amount of $2,433.94; said bonds to be payable on demand with interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum; the proceeds from the sale of said bonds to be used for the payment of certain awards for real estate taken, in the construction of a main sewer in Mill Creek, etc., concurred in by this Board November 21, 1895 (printed miutes page 126).

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $100,000, on account of county taxes for the year 1895.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That so much of the resolutions adopted by this Board November 25, 1885, relative to the drawing of a warrant for $47.30 and interest in favor of the Estate of James Gopsill be and is hereby rescinded; and that the warrant drawn in favor of the Estate of James Gopsill, as aforesaid for $122.34 be and is hereby ordered cancelled.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the estate of James Gopsill for $122.34, including interest to return amount paid the city at tax sale, June 16, 1859, in purchase of Lots 22, 23 and 24, in Block 131, Grove street, sold for taxes of 1858, which said property was subsequently redeemed by the owner thereof; and further

Resolved, That the above warrant shall not be delivered by the City Clerk until the estate of James Gopsill shall have first filed in the City Comptroller's office a bond of indemnity in the sum of double the amount of said warrant; said bond of indemnity to be approved by the Corporation Counsel

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following salaries of the members of the Board of Finance, when due:—

John M Jones, from October 24, 1895, to January 23, 1896, both dates inclusive, $125.

James S. Bailey, from October, 24, 1895, to January 23, 1896, both dates inclusive, $125.

J. W. Hardenbergh, from October 24, 1895, to January 23, 1896, both dates inclusive, $125.

J. J. Detwiller, from October 24, 1895, to January 23, 1896, both dates inclusive, $125.

Reuben Simpson, for November and December, 1895, and January, 1896, $125.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to make the following transfers of balances of appropriations fiscal year 1894-1895, account Board of Education:—

To account General Claims:—

From account Teachers' salaries, $558.63; Janitors' salaries, $201.30; Janitors' supplies, $54.89; printing, $22.43; gas, $18.35; books, stationery, etc., $7.21; night schools, 17 cents; census, $225.80. Total, $1,088.78.

To be applied to the payment of the claims as follows:—

Account books, stationery, etc.....	$481 76
Account printing.....	384 20
Account gas....	196 95
Total.....	$1062 91

(Items shown on statements furnished by Board of Education giving the names of creditors and amount due each and every one and attached to resolution adopted by said Board December 12, 1895.)

To account repairs:—

From account fuel, $1051.05.

To pay claims incurred by Mr. Obergfell's committee.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasure for $56.51 in favor of James A. Gordon, attorney of Bernhard Meyer, to supplement the sum of $90.28 now in the account of "claims" of the Board of Fire Commissioners, making a total of $146.79, being the amount of interest due on claim of said James A. Gordon, attorney, from August 29, 1892, to January 15, 1896, the Board of Fire Commissioners to order paid the sum of $90.28, subject to the concurrence of this Board, and the amount of $56.51 to be paid by this Board out of account Printing, Stationery, etc., 1894-1895.

Mr. Simpson moved that when this Board adjourns, it be to meet on Thursday, January 23, 1896, at 8 o'clock P. M.

The Board then on motion of Mr. Simpson adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

On Thursday, January 16, 1896, at the hour of 8 o'clock P. M., at the regular meeting room of the Board of Finance, in the City Hall, I called the roll of membership of the Board of Finance, no one of whom responded thereto, all of said members being absent.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk,

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, January 23, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

The call for the meeting, issued by the President, and which was for the transaction of "General Business," was read.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petition of William Kemp to return to him, as assignee of Henrich Lamprecht, the sum of $121.98 inadvertently paid in redemption of certain property in which said Henrich Lemprecht had no interest.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petition of Lehigh Valley Railroad Company to have cancelled on the books of the City Collector, the record of the assessment for taxes against Lot 1, Block 426, and Lot 1, Block 427, Monitor street, for the year 1894, for the reason that the property is used for railroad purposes in its right of way, and is and has been returned for the said year, 1894, by the said company to the State Board of Assessors of New Jersey, and that the same is and has been taxed by said State Board in accordance with the law.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petition of Letitia Gedney for the return of $2.75, erroneously assessed and paid for taxes for year 1895.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of Richard G. Sip for the return of erroneous assessment for water rents paid for the year 1893.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., $5.45; N. Y. and N. J. Telephone Co., $47.10; N. Y. and N. J. Telephone Co., $3.75; Albert Datz, $32; Albert Datz, $34; J. H. Marbacher, $7; Lammers & Tiedmann, $107.77; Western Union Tel. Co., $3.

Under a suspension of the rules the following resolution was presented by Mr. Bailey, and the same was adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

Resolved, That Emil E. Datz, a member of the Board of City Hall Commissioners, appointed by his Honor the Mayor, on January 2, 1896, be and is hereby required to present to the Board of Finance for its acceptance a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, in the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) to be approved by the Corporation Counsel.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The following official communications were presented, received and disposed of as follows:—

The official bond of Emil E. Datz as a member of the Board of City Hall Commissioners, in the sum of ten thousand ($10,000) dollars, with Frederick Schober and Albert Datz as sureties, approved by the Corporation Counsel.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Commissioners of the Joint Outlet Sewer for Jersey City and West Hoboken, through James Moylan, secretary, bearing date of January 15, 1896, informing the Board of Finance that said Commissioners have presented, on December 21, 1895, to the Circuit Court of Hudson county, their report, map, schedule and assessment in accordance with the provisions of Section 12, Chapter 148 of the Laws of 1887, and that the said Court did, on January 11, 1896, confirm the said report, assessment, etc., and that they are now on file with the Clerk of said Court.

Ordered filed and a copy of the same ordered sent to the City Comptroller.

The official bond of Leonard J. Gordon, treasurer of the trustees of the Free Public Library of Jersey City, in the sum of twenty-five thousand ($25,000) dollars, with William Brinkerhoff and William Hogencamp as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Board of City Hall Commissioners:—

Resolution adopted January 20, 1896, requesting the Board of Finance to borrow the sum of $100,000 for the completion of the new City Hall and the furnishing and equipment thereof, and the laying out and improving of the grounds adjacent thereto, in accordance with section 5 of Chapter CCCXCI of the Laws of 1895.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the City Collector:—

Communication dated January 22, 1896, certifying that he has received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for collection in his office the following assessment maps:—

Improvement Bostwick place, from Storm avenue to east end of Bostwick place, amount, $1,707.

Improvement Oak street, from Ocean avenue to Bergen avenue, amount, $18,783.

Improvement Westervelt place, from Cornelison avenue to Grand street, amount, $2,383.

Sewer St. Paul's avenue, from Hudson County Public Road to Tonnele avenue, amount, $3,812.

Sewer Griffith street, from Milton avenue to Hudson County Public Road, amount, $1,672.

Received and ordered filed.

Communication dated January 23, 1896,

informing this Board that he had appointed W. W. Chilver as clerk in the Collector's office subject to the consent of this Board at a salary of twenty-five dollars per month, term to commence February 1, 1896, and services to continue at the pleasure of the Board of Finance.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

From the Commissioners for the Joint Outlet sewer for Jersey City and West Hoboken:—

Requisitions on the Board of Finance to pay the following claims:—

James Moylan, engineer's fees, &c., $351; John F. Nolan, chairman, services of Commissioners, $750; William C. Hepenheimer, services as counsel, $135, and the following claims for advertising notices of hearings:—Evening Journal Association, $31 and $47.41; Jersey City News, $31 and $47.41; Hoboken Evening News, $31 and $47.41; Hoboken Observer, $31 and $47.41; West Hoboken Reporter, $31 and $47.41.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and disposed of as follows:—

1. Resolved, That the action of the chairman of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs in the employment of Cornelius C. Vermeule for the purpose stated in report of said committee, be ratified.

(Adopted January 20, 1896.)

(In explanation of the foregoing resolution.)

To the Hon. Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

Gentlemen—In order that this Board may be fully apprised of the condition and capacity of the Pequannock Water Shed as utilized by the plant of the East Jersey Water Company with reference to the proposed temporary supply for this city I have, under arrangement made at a conference with his Honor, the Mayor, and the city's law officers, held on January 10, 1896, employed Cornelius C. Vermeule consulting engineer of the Geological Survey, to make such examination and report to this city at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) W. H. HOOKER,

Chairman of Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

2. Requesting the Board of Finance to set aside the sum of $600 with which to purchase a plot of ground adjacent to and on the west side of Public School No. 24.

(Adopted January 20, 1896.)

3. To pay salaries of Water Registrar, etc., in the Water Department for the month of January, 1896, when due, as per pay roll, amounting to $3,168.31.

(Adopted January 20, 1896.)

4. To pay certain claims. (Four (4) resolutions.)

(Adopted January 20, 1896.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported recommending that the bond of Emil E. Datz as a member of the City Hall Commissioners in the sum of ten thousand ($10,000) dollars with Frederick Schober and Albert Datz as sureties, be accepted and approved and that the same be spread at large upon the bond book and filed.

The report was received and the bond was accepted and approved by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the president.

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners January 20, 1896, be concurred in.

1. To pay the salaries of the Water Registrar, &c., in the Water Department for the month of January, 1896, when due, as per payroll, amounting to $3,168.31.

The report was received and the resolution concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$32 to Randolph Perkins for drawing deeds and assignments and taking acknowledgments.

$29 to Albert Datz, printing for City Clerk.

(Chargeable to account of "Martin Act.")

$75 to William P. Douglass, for fees as Judge Second Criminal Court for November, 1895.

(Chargeable to account fees from Second Criminal Court.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$34 to Albert Datz, printing for City Comptroller.

(Chargeable to account of Printing, Stationery, etc., year 1894-1895.)

$7 to J. H. Marbacher, typewriter supplies, Mayor's office.

$32 to Albert Datz, printing for Mayor's office.

$16.67 to N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co. telephone rental (private wire to Comptroller's office) from Dec. 1, 1895, to April 1, 1896).

$3.75 to N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co. tolls Board of Finance, Sept. 1 to Dec. 1, 1895.

$107.77 to Lammers & Tiedemann, supplies for City Marshal (bill of January 14, 1896).

(All chargeable to account of Printing, Stationery, etc., 1895-1896.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Baily, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh, and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Nat E. Smith & Son for $23.03 (including $1.53 interest) to return duplicate payment of taxes 1894, on lot 27, Block 523, Van Buren place, paid July 12, 1895, being duplicate of payment made December 19, 1984

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following claims incurred in the construction of the "Joint outlet sewer between Jersey City and West Hoboken," being 54 per cent. of the whole of said claims, the amounts chargeable to Jersey City, except as to the claim of John F. Nolan, Chairman, where the percentage to be borne by Jersey City is only 50 per cent. of the whole of said claim.

$750 to John F. Nolan, Chairman of Commissioners, compensation of Commissioners on construction and assessment of sewer.

$135 to William C. Heppenheimer, services as counsel to Commissioners of Assessment, as allowed by Court.

$351 to James Moylan, engineer's fees, surveys, schedule map and services on final assessment for sewer.

$31 to the Reporter, advertising notices of hearing of objections by the Court.

$31 to the Observer, advertising notices of hearing of objections by the Court.

$31 to the Jersey City News, advertising notices of hearing of objections by the Court.

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By Mr. Simpson, on behalf of the Committee of the Whole:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners of January 20, 1896, to employ Mr. Cornelius C. Vermeule, C. E., to advise the Board of Street and Water Commissioners as to the condition of the Pequannock Water Plant of the East Jersey Water Company, with reference to the proposed temporary supply for this city.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, to be deposited to the credit of February, 1896, interest, as follows:—

On General Account	$44,840 00
On Water Account	14,625 00
Total	$59,465 00

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the appointment by the City Collector, January 23, 1896, of W. W. Chilver, as a Clerk in the City Collector's office, at a salary of $25 per month, appointment to take effect February 1, 1896, and services to be discontinued when this Board so direct, be and is hereby consented to by the Board of Finance, the amount of such salary to be paid out of the account of the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the salary of Emil E. Datz, member of the Board of City Hall Commissioners, appointed by His Honor the Mayor, on January 2, 1896, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 391 of the Laws of 1895, be and is hereby fixed at the rate of two thousand dol-

lars per annum, payable in monthly payments of $166.66.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Mrs. Joseph E. Deutsch, for $19.98, including 58 cents penalty, to return payment of water rents of year 1895, on lot 28, block 1376, Neptune avenue, paid December 23, 1895, being duplicate of payment made December 7, 1895.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer to transfer from adjusted lien account collections made November 22, 1895, to January 21, 1896, inclusive, as follows:—

To general account, advertising fees	$ 20 00
To general account, adjusted taxes, 1894	8,509 60
To tax arrearage fund, 1893, adjusted taxes, 1893	8,954 97
To tax arrearage fund, 1892, adjusted taxes, 1892	8,923 54
To tax arrearage fund, 1891, adjusted taxes, 1891	6,070 60
To tax arrearage fund, 1890, adjusted taxes, 1890	3,215 97
To tax arrearage fund, 1889, adjusted taxes, 1889	2,070 40
To tax arrearage fund, 1888, adjusted taxes, 1888	1,885 10
To tax arrearage fund, adjusted taxes, 1875 to 1887	2,891 92
To tax arrearage fund, interest on adjusted taxes	1,494 33
To sinking fund, 1873, adjusted taxes, 1873 and 1874	68 09
To assessment account, adjusted assessments	7,524 72
To water account, adjusted water rents	2,983 85
Total	$54,613 09

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That in accordance with the request of the City Hall Commissioners and in pursuance of the provisions of an act entitled, "An act to enable cities in this State to furnish suitable accommodations for the transaction of public business," title as amended, approved April 15, 1887, and in accordance with Chapter 391, Laws of 1895, there be issued City Hall bonds of the City to the amount of $100,000, said bonds to be issued in the name of the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, signed by the Mayor of the City, and sealed with the corporate seal, attested by the City Clerk and countersigned by the City Comptroller.

Resolved, That said City Hall bonds shall be dated February 1, 1896, to be payable $10,000 February 1st of each year, 1897 to 1906, both years inclusive, with interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of August and February in each year.

Resolved, That the proceeds of said bonds when sold be applied and appropriated to said City Hall Commissioners for the purpose of said acts.

Resolved, That in order to provide for the payment of said bonds, and the interest thereon, there shall be included in the tax levy and raised by taxation in this city, a sum equal to the interest upon such bonds and the principal of the bonds falling due within the year.

By Mr. Detwiller, on behalf of the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

Whereas, The Board of Education requests the Board of Street and Water Commissioners to purchase a plot of ground 20x185, on the west side of Public School No. 24; and

Whereas, It is of vital importance to the comfort, convenience and availability of both teachers and pupils of Public School No. 24 to preserve means for the admission of light and air, and that this property should be secured without delay; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Board hereby concurs in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners of January 20, 1896, to purchase for the "Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City," for the sum of $600, the plot of ground, 20x185, on the west side of Public School Building No. 24, the said sum to be paid out of license money set aside for the Board of Education, subject to draft of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, and said sums to be paid out of said fund, when the Corporation Counsel shall certify that the city has a good title to said land, and he cause the necessary searches to be made.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $2.75 in favor of Letitia Gedney to return amount inadvertently paid for taxes of year 1895, the taxes representing said sum having been deducted by the Board of Appeals, from the original assessment, on personal property, on appeal against Lot G Block 316, No. 599½ Jersey avenue.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms, at the City Hall, on Thursday, February 6, 1896, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the following meetings were approved as engrossed in the minute book, on motion of Mr. Simpson—"Special," January 15; "Regular," January 16, and "Special," January 23, 1896.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of A. A. Franck, attorney of P. Bohl, to transfer certain payments made in error for taxes to credit of property owned by the petitioner.

Of Ellen and George T. Reed, to return certain water rents paid and claimed to be erroneously assessed.

Of Patrick H. Nugent, to return certain water rents, etc., paid by him under the terms of a certain lease, which should have been paid by the city.

Of the Estate of James Gopsill, deceased, relative to the purchase of certain property at tax sale, June 16, 1859.

Of B. Ritter, to return $9.96 paid for water rents, year 1894, claimed to be erroneously assessed.

Of D. E. Cleary, for the return of $68.75 for payment in error of taxes for year 1895.

Of Joseph Clancy, for the return of $13.94 paid for water rents for year 1883, which he claims was erroneously assessed, there being no city water on the premises for the said year.

A petition was received from the Hudson City Savings Bank, requesting this Board to take steps without further delay to return the sum of $71.42, with interest at the rate of 15 per cent. from October 19, 1869, upon presentation by said bank of the declaration of sale now in their possession.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney, and the Clerk of this Board was directed to communicate with the said official in relation to this matter.

CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and they were each referred to their appropriate committee:—

New Jersey Title Abstract Company, $4.50; Evening Journal Association, $241.76 and $50.40; Charles E. Nugent, $63; Albert Payne, $66.66; Jersey City News, $4.50, $18, $71.35 and $3; J. J. O'Hara, $86.25; James Atchison, $19.45; Chronicle Publishing Company, $22, and Peter Dafaldeker, $13.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The Corporation Counsel, to whom was referred January 23, 1896, the petition of William Kemp, to return to him, as assignee of Heinrich Lamprecht, the sum of $121.98, inadvertently paid in redemption of certain property, in which said Lamprecht had no interest, presented the following communication, and the same was received and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Jersey City, N. J., February 4, 1896.

To the Board of Finance, Jersey City, N. J.:—

Gentlemen—The petition of William Kemp, hereto annexed, shows that the city sold a lot belonging to Robert Schultz to A. A. Frank. That subsequently one Lamprecht paid to the City Treasurer and took a receipt for the sum of $121.98, which receipt has been transferred to your petitioner Kemp, and that upon the strength of that assignment Kemp asks the city to return the money to him that Lamprecht paid to the city.

Mr. Frank upon the purchase of the property paid to the city the amount of taxes that was against the lot. The lot therefore is his, unless someone who has a right to redeem, redeems it. The city also has the money which Lamprecht paid to it, and which was tendered by the city to Mr. Frank and refused by him

The city therefore has double payment for the lot, and should return the money paid by Lamprecht either to Mr. Frank, and give the title to Lamprecht, or return the money to Lamprecht, leaving Mr. Frank in possession. There is nothing in the petition showing that Mr. Lamprecht had any right to redeem this property. The law requires that "any person having an estate in or mortgage upon lands or premises sold" in pursuance of what is known as the "Martin Act," which estate or lien appears of record in the county, may redeem. There is no such evidence before your Board. Unless such evidence is produced the money paid by Lamprecht should be returned to him. The city cannot recognize any transaction between Mr. Lamprecht and Mr. Kemp. I understand it is a mere transfer of the receipt which the city has no cognizance of.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. BLAIR,
Corporation Counsel.

From the Board of Fire Commissioners:—

Resolution, ordering paid (by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance) $90.28, which sum, together with the sum of $56.51, making a total of $146.79, will pay the claim of James A. Gordon, attorney of Bernhard Meyer, for interest due on claim of judgment and cost recently presented.

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the City Collector:—

Jersey City, Feb. 6, 1896.

Honorable Board of Finance, Jersey City.

Gentlemen—I am unofficially informed that the joint outlet sewer between Jersey City and West Hoboken has been completed, filed with and confirmed by the Court, January 11, 1896, and that the assessment and maps will be filed in this office on or about February 15. If, as is understood, interest is to be charged and collected, from date of confirmation or as assessments are now collected, viz., forty days without interest from date of confirmation, it would seem to be unjust to those assessed in either case, inasmuch as they cannot, nor could not pay their assessments until the maps, etc., were filed in this office, which will probably be February 15. I would, therefore, under the circumstances recommend, that your Honorable Board (if you have the power and authority) permit the assessments to be paid, without interest for ten or twenty days, after the same is filed in this office.

Yours truly,

S. H. SMITH,
City Collector.

Received and referred to Corporation Counsel.

Jersey City, Jan. 31, 1896.

Honorable Board of Finance, Jersey City:—

Gentlemen—I have this day delivered to Mr. George R. Hough, City Comptroller, a book containing "a list of the names of delinquents in the payment of personal taxes for the previous year, as required by Section 1, Chapter 53, of the Laws of 1895." Yours truly,

S. H. SMITH,
City Collector.

Received and ordered filed.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions were received from the above named Board and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

1. That the salary of Robert Martin, Clerk in the Water Department, detailed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, be fixed at $100 per month on and after February 1, 1896.

(Adopted January 27, 1896.)

2. Ordering paid the claim of C. C. Vermeule for $2,400.

(Adopted February 3, 1896.)

The following resolutions were also received from the above Board and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of January, 1896, as per payroll, amounting to $4,549.17.

(Adopted February 4, 1896.)

2. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters for the month of January, 1896, as per payroll, amounting to $540.

(Adopted February 4, 1896.)

3. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, etc., in the Water Department, for the month of January, 1896, as per payroll, amounting to $1,528.

(Adopted February 4, 1896.)

4. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers laying and repairing water pipe for the month of January, 1896, as per payroll, amounting to $2,846.50.

(Adopted February 4, 1896.)

5. Awarding to Thomas F. McCabe the contract for the opening, widening and changing boundaries of Jackson place between westerly side of Old Bergen Road to Hudson Boulevard.

(In conformity with the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895) estimated cost $2,555.32.)

(Adopted January 27, 1896.)

6. Awarding to John Hopkins, the contract for the construction of a 12-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Harmon street, about 140 feet from Grand street to Randolph avenue, and an 18-inch vitrified pipe sewer from westerly curb of Randolph avenue, and connecting with sewer in Garfield avenue. (Conformably with the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.)

(Estimated cost, $1,473.63.)

(Adopted, January 27, 1896.)

7. Awarding to J. H. Byrnes the contract for a lateral sewer in Boyd avenue, from a point about 50 feet west from Hudson County Public Road, connecting with sewer in West Side avenue, when completed, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895. (Estimated cost $1,602.55.)

(Adopted, January 27, 1896.)

8. Awarding to Andrew Shaw the contract for the construction of a 15-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Columbia avenue, from a point about 550 feet north of Lincoln streeet and connecting with pipe in Zabriskie street. (In conformity with the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.) (Estimated cost $3,152.35.)

(Adopted, January 27, 1896.)

9. Awarding to Michael Mullery the contract for the construction of an 18-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Sixteenth street, from Grove street to Henderson street. (Estimated cost, $1,227.52.)

(Adopted, January 27, 1896.)

10. Ordering paid the claim of Fagan Iron Works.

(Adopted January 27, 1896.)

11. Five (5) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted February 3, 1896.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred January 23, 1896, the official bond of Leonard J. Gordon, as treasurer of the trustees of the Free Public Library of Jersey City, reported recommending that the said bond be received and approved and spread upon the bond book and filed.

The report was received and the bond was approved by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the president:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Awarding to Thomas F. McCabe the contract for the opening, widening and changing boundaries of Jackson place, between westerly side of Old Bergen Road to Hudson Boulevard, in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895. (Estimated cost, $2,555.32.)

(Adopted January 27, 1896.)

2. Awarding to John Hopkins the contract for the construction of a 12-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Harmon street, about 140 feet from Grand street, to Randolph avenue, and an 18-inch vitrified pipe sewer from westerly curb line of Randolph avenue, and connecting with sewer in Garfield avenue, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895. (Estimated cost, $1,473.63.)

(Adopted January 27, 1896.)

3. Awarding to J. H. Byrnes the contract for a lateral sewer in Boyd avenue from a point about 50 feet west from Hudson County Public Road, connecting with sewer in West Side avenue, when completed, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895. (Estimated cost, $1,602.55.)

(Adopted January 27, 1896.)

4. Awarding to Andrew Shaw the contract for the construction of a 15-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Columbia avenue from a point about 550 feet north of Lincoln street and connecting with pipe in Zabriskie street, in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895 (estimated cost $3,152.35).

(Adopted January 27, 1896.)

5. Ordering paid the following salaries for the month of January, 1896, as per pay rolls:—

Belleville and High Service, $4,549.17.

Laborers on Meters, $540.

Laying and Repairing Water Pipe, $2,846.50.

General Superintendent Water Department, $1,528.

(Adopted February 4, 1896.)

6. To pay the following claims:—

November 12, 1895:—Thomas Rynn, agent, $28.13.

December 30, 1895—John E. McArthur, $11.75; J. F. Underhill, $56.48.

January 6, 1896—John E. McArthur, $83.80; P. F. Woodcock, $13.79; F. A. Smith, $1.25; Charles L. Rugge, $120.66; W. W. Farrier, $39.

January 13, 1896—Brown & Miller, $282.86; W. W. Farrier, $219.73; W. H. Black, $5.70; Frank McDermott, $19.50.

January 20, 1896—Joseph E. Frank, $60; Liverpool & London and Globe Insurance Company, $58; R. B. Ingram, Jr., $38.70, and F. A. Smith, $10.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The same committee further reported, recommending that the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners January 29, 1896, be concurred in:—

"Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance a warrant be ordered drawn in favor of James A. Gordon, attorney of Bernhard Meyer, for the sum of $90.28, to supplement the sum of $56.51, ordered paid by the Board of Finance, making a total of $146.79, being the amount of interest due on claim of said James A. Gordon, attorney, from August 29, 1892, to January 15, 1896, said sum of $90.28 to be paid out of the appropriation made to this Board for the 'payment of unpaid claims contracted prior to April 23, 1894,' 'fiscal year 1894-1895.' "

The report was received and the resolution was concurred in by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported on the petition of Joseph Clancy for the return of $13.94, paid for water rents for 1883, and claimed by him to be erroneously assessed, for the reason that no water was on the premises during the said year, recommended that the said petition be returned, as this Board has no power, at this late date, to order the return of the money paid.

The report was received and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

The same committe further reported, recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:

$66.66 to Albert Payne for services rendered as Marshal of Second District Court for the month of January, 1896. (Chargeable to account District Court fees.)

$63 to Charles E. Nugent for verifying and making diagrams of property purchased by the City at the several tax sales, including deeds. (Chargeable to account "Martin Act.")

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbegh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$18 to Jersey City News for printing manual, pages 143-151.

$4.50 to Jersey City News for advertising City Collector's notice of assessments for improvements due.

$19.45 to James Atchison, for rubber stamps for City Comptroller's office.

$22 to the Chronicle Pub. Co., for two warrant books, No. 137-138, resetting form and plates.

$47.10 to N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., for telephone service Mayor's office, September 1 to December 31, 1895.

$3 to Western Union Tel. Co., for time service Mayor's office, from January 1 to April 1, 1896.

(All chargeable to account of printing, stationery, etc., year 1895-1896.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The Committee of the Whole, to whom was referred this date the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners adopted January 27, 1896, fixing the salary of Robert F. Martin, General Clerk in Water Department and detailed in office of the Board, at $100 per month, on and after February 1, 1896, reported unanimously recommending the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby non concurs in the following resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners January 27, 1896, to wit:—

"Resolved, That on and after February 1 proximo, the salary of Robert F. Martin, General Clerk in the Water Department and detailed in the office of the Board, be and is hereby fixed at $100 per month."

The report of the committee was received, and the resolution therein contained (non-concurring in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, fixing the salary of Robert F. Martin, General Clerk in the Water Department and detailed in the office of the Board, at $100 per month), was adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By President Jones:—

Resolved, That the resolutions adopted by this Board January 23, 1896, consenting to the appointment by the City Collector of W. W. Chilver as Clerk in the City Collector's office, at a salary of $25 per month, to be paid out of the account of printing, stationery, etc., and appointment to take effect February 1, 1896, be and is hereby reconsidered and rescinded.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That upon the reports of the Corporation Counsel and City Comptroller, endorsed upon the petition of John J. Toffey, trustee, a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John J. Toffey, trustee, for eighty dollars and twenty-eight cents, for amount of surplus realized upon the tax sale, under Chapter 112 of the Laws of 1886, and the supplements thereto, made by the City Collector on March 26, 1890, on Lot 1, Block 850, Beach street and Sanford place, over and above the sum as adjusted due the city, with interest, cost and disbursements.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $121.98, in favor of Heinrich Lamprecht, to return amount paid by him in error, in the redemption of Lot 2, Triangle 4, Hutton street, Block 856 (Commissioners Map); warrant to be delivered only upon the surrender of the City's voucher for the money paid.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Trustees of the Free Public Library for the sum of $29,405.27, in full payment of the amount appropriated in the tax levy of 1895-1896 for Free Public Library purposes.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by this Board January 15, 1896, be and is hereby rescinded:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Estate of James Gopsill for $122.34, including interest, to return amount paid the city at tax sale, June 16, 1859, in purchase of Lots 22, 23 and 24, in Block 131, Grove street, sold for taxes of 1858,

which said property was subsequently redeemed by the owner thereof; and further

Resolved, That the above warrant shall not be delivered by the City Clerk until the Estate of James Gopsill shall have first filed in the City Comptroller's office a bond of indemnity in the sum of double the amount of said warrant; said bond of indemnity to be approved by the Corporation Counsel.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, On or about the sixteenth day of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, James Gopsill, now deceased, purchased at a tax sale for unpaid taxes for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, parts of three certain lots, numbers 22, 23 and 24, in Block 131, in Jersey City aforesaid, which said lots are assessed to Jacob Karnharens for forty-seven dollars and thirty cents; and

Whereas, On or about the month of November, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, it was discovered that the taxes for the said year had been paid and that said property had been improperly sold; and

Whereas, On or about the month of November, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, a warrant for the sum of one hundred and twenty-two dollars and thirty-four cents, being said amount of forty-seven dollars and thirty cents, with interest, from June 16, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, to December, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, was ordered drawn by the Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City; and

Whereas, Said warrant has been duly signed by the Mayor and Comptroller of Jersey City, and delivered to the Clerk of said City to be delivered to the Estate of James Gopsill, upon the production of the certificate of tax sale which had been delivered to the said James Gopsill, now deceased, at the time of his said purchase at the said tax sale; and

Whereas, It appears by a sworn affidavit that the said certificate of tax sale has been lost; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the said warrant, dated December 1, eighteen hundred and eighty-five, be cancelled, and that a new warrant, payable to the Estate of James Gopsill, deceased, be drawn and signed by the Mayor and Comptroller of the City of Jersey City, and delivered to the Clerk of said City to be delivered to the estate of James Gopsill, upon the filing with the Comptroller of said City of a bond in double the amount of said warrant, which said bond shall be approved by the Corporation Counsel of said City of Jersey City.

By President Jones:—

Whereas, An assesment was levied against Wood & Menagh, at a valuation of $15,000, on personal property of the business located at No. 134 Newark avenue, on Lot 21, Block 241, for year 1895; and

Whereas, By an oversight a mistake was made in the copying from the Assessors' books, $1,500 instead of $15,000 as assessed; and

Whereas, A bil was rendered to Wood & Menagh on a valuation of $1,500, and the tax for the amount of the same ($41.25) has been paid; therefore be it

Resolved, That the City Collector be requested and directed to inform Wood & Menagh regarding the error in rendering bill, and to furnish them with a correct bill, and to request them to pay the balance, $371.25, due, making the full amount levied by the assesors, and if payment is not made within a reasonable time (to be determined by the City Collector) the City Collector is directed to proceed in conformity with the requirements of law.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Whereas, Under an agreement entered into between Patrick H. Nugent and the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, it is agreed and especially understood that the latter, as the party of the second part, shall pay all water rents due from the premises owned by Patrick H. Nugent, and known by the street numbers 27 and 29 Newark avenue, Jersey City, of which the second, third and fourth floors were, until May 1, 1895, occupied by the officers, soldiers and musicians of the Fourth Regiment of the National Guard of this State, as an armory, for the uses of said regiment; and

Whereas, There is now due said Patrick H. Nugent for water rents assessed against his said premises and which he has paid, and which should have been paid under the terms of the lease by the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, the proportionate part of water rents for the years 1885 to 1894, both years inclusive) amounting to $238.13, which sum is due said Patrick H. Nugent, and

Whereas, There is also due said Patrick H. Nugent the sum of $13 for glass put in in said leased premises, and which sum, under the lease, should be paid by the said the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, making the total sum due said Patrick H. Nugent, $251.13; therefore

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Patrick H. Nugent for $238.13, to pay three-fourths of the following water rents, assessed against Nos. 27 and 29 Newark avenue, Jersey City, formerly ocupied by the Fourth Regiment of the National Guard of this State, paid by said Patrick H. Nugent, and which water rents should be paid by "The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City," under the

lease entered into between Patrick H. Nugent and the said "The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City":—

Year 1885,	buildings	$23 75
Year 1886,	"	23 75
Year 1887,	"	23 75
Year 1888,	"	23 75
Year 1889,	"	23 75
Year 1890,	"	23 75
Year 1891,	"	23 75
Year 1892,	"	23 75
Year 1893,	"	23 75
Year 1894,	"	23 75
Total		$237 50
Three-fourths of building rate to be paid by the City under lease (being three of the four floors)		$178 13
Also $6 per year for closets and urinals		60 00
Making total of water rents claimed from City		$238 13

To be paid out of "Water Account."

And further resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Patrick H. Nugent for $13 to pay for glass put in in said leased premises, and which sum, under the lease, should be paid by the city, said amount to be paid out of the account Printing, Stationery, etc., of this Board, for the fiscal years 1894-95, and that said warrants shall not be delivered by the City Clerk until the bills showing the payments have been produced.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjoruned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, February 20, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the regular meeting held February 6, 1896, were approved as engrossed in the Minute Book on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petition of Ida A. and William C. Hespe for the return of $5.50, amount erroneously paid for taxes for 1895.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Petition of Adelina De Mott, by F. L. Clarke, attorney, to return $20.86 for surplus realized from tax sale.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Transcripts of the following judgments rendered in the First District Court were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance:—

In favor of Thomas W. Leake for $114.47 (including costs) and in favor of Henry W. Moser, for $170 (including costs).

CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and they were referred to their appropriate committees:—

W. P. Douglass, $66; A. J. Boyle, $44; Theodore Rurode, $5.40; Postal Telegraph Cable Co., $4.05 and $21.99; J. H. Potts, $198; Charles Golden, $20; A. Datz, $130; Albert Payne, $66.66; N. P. Wedin, $70; C. S. Westervelt, $30; F. P. Van Saun, $25; James Moylan, $165.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Resolution (adopted February 11, 1896), assigning a certificate of tax sale to W. H. Boyle.

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance:—

1. Four (4) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted February 11, 1896.)

2. Four (4) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted February 17, 1896.)

3. Ordering paid the salaries of the Water Registrar, &c., for the month of February, 1896, when due as per payroll, amounting to $3,168.31.

(Adopted February 17, 1896.)

4. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters for the month of February, 1896, when due, as per payroll, amounting to $540.

(Adopted February 17, 1896.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurren Resolutions reported recommending that the resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, February 17, 1896, ordering paid the following salaries for the month of February, 1896, when due, as per pay rolls, be concurred in.

Water Registrar, etc., amounting to $3,168.31.

Laborers on Meters, amounting to $540.

The same committee further reported recommending the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance hereby concurs in the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, to wit:—

Ordering paid the following claims:—

November 19, 1895, G. & L. Schmidt, $5.

January 15, 1896, Savage & Callary, $102.79.

January 27, 1896, Fagan Iron Works, $227.62.

January 3, 1896, W. W. Farrier, $27; F. P. Woodcock, $10; Thomas Rynn, agent, $22.50; United Gas Improvement Co., $4.20, $15 and $17.10.

February 4, 1896, M. T. Connolly, $220; A. Datz, $8; W. W. Farrier, $248.54; Richard Jackson, $17.50; Fagan Iron Works, $190.66 and $148.84; J. C. News, $37.50; N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., $41.75, $19.50, $104.25, $1.65, $50.60 and $4.85.

The reports were received and the resolutions therein contained were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of February, 1896, when due,, to wit:— 9

$30 to Honora Lamb for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker for cleaning rooms:

$30 to Kate Battersbee for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney for cleaning rooms.

$40 to Charles Golden for tending fires.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of February, 1896, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City News, $229.16; The Evening Journal, $229.16; The Jersey City Herald, $229.16.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of February, 1896, when due, as follows:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to William F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk to Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector

$100 to Charles F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to William H. Vermilyea, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James H. Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$250 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$75 to E. T. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

$100 to William C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$125 to T. Y. Brown, Draughtsman to Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

The same committee further reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$118 to James F. Norton for fees as Clerk First Criminal Court in trials of cases Nos. 627-695 inclusive, excepting certain cases. (Chargeable to account of Criminal Court Fees).

$66.66 to Albert Payne for services as Marshal Second District Court for the month of February, 1896, when due.

$70 to N. P. Wedin, Jr., for services as Assistant Clerk to First District Court for the month of February, 1896, when due.

(Chargeable to account of District Court Fees).

$25 to F. P. Van Saun for typewriting, etc., in City Comptroller's office for month of February, 1896, when due.

$30 to C. S. Westervelt for itimizing reports of Commissioners of Adjustments for month of February, 1896, when due.

$5.40 to Theodore Rurode for stenographic services in connection with adjustment of N. Y. and Lake Erie & Western R. R. taxes. (Chargeable to account of "Martin Act").

The reports were received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President: —

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$86.25 to J. J. O'Hara for printing and stationery for Board of Finance. (Chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, etc., 1894-1895.)

$50.40 to the Evening Journal Association for advertising taxes, 1895-1896. (Notices of City Callector.)

$13 to Peter Dafeldeker for carpenter work in City Hall.

$20 to Charles Golden for extra services rendered as messenger to Mayor, etc.,for month of February, 1896, when due.

$130 to Albert Datz for postage stamps for Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes and Board of Finance.

$4.05 to Postal Tel. Cable Co. for messenger service to Board of Finance and City Comptroller for January, 1896.

$3 to J. C. News for advertising City Collector's notice of assesments due.

(Chargeable to account Printing, Stationery, etc., 1895-1896.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nayes by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson —5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson —5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of $36,825, to be deposited to the credit of March, 1896, interest, as follows:—

On General Account....	$180 00
On General Account to pay interest on Assessment Bonds....	17,500 00
On Water Account..	19,145 00
Total....	$36,825 00

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, for the sum of $1,903.09 to transfer from special general account to general account, to correct deposit of November 30, 1895, made in error.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, for the sum of $83.97 to transfer from general account to assessment account the following payment made from assessment account in error:—

Main sewer, Mill Creek, $83.97.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, for the sum of $97.73, to transfer from assessment account to general account the following payments made from general account in error:—

Main sewer, Dwight street.....	$23.40
Main sewer, Hatch avenue.....	23.40
Return of assessments (paid in error)	50.93
Total....	$97.73

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, for the sum of $20.00, to transfer from special street account to general account the following payment made from general account in error:—

Account special street improvement..$20.00

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, to transfer from adjusted lien account collections made January 22, 1896, to February 18, 1896, inclusive, as follows:—

To General Account, Advertising Fees..... ....$	12 00
To General Account, Adjusted Taxes 1894....	4,405 13
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1893, Adjusted Taxes, 1893.....	5,966 74
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1892, Adjusted Taxes, 1892.....	6,981 28
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1891, Adjusted Taxes, 1891.....	3,728 39
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1890, Adjusted Taxes, 1890.....	2,462 57
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1889, Adjusted Taxes, 1889.....	2,304 35
To Tax Arrearage Fund, 1888, Adjusted Taxes, 1888.....	1,384 19
To Tax Arrearage Fund, Adjusted Taxes, 1875 to 1887.....	5,461 74
To Tax Arrearage Fund, Interest on Adjusted Taxes.....	2,531 39
To Sinking Fund, 1873, Adjusted Taxes, 1872 and Previous Years	1,473 97
To Sinking Fund, 1873, Adjusted Taxes, 1873 and 1874.....	4,065 13
To Assessment Account, Adjusted Assessments....	10,008 46
To Water Account, Adjusted Water Rents....	2,704 08
Total.... ....$	53,489 42

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $5.50 in favor of Ida A. Hespe and William C. Hespe, to return amount paid in error for taxes, year 1895, on Lot part 24B, Block 928-929, Nelson avenue, the owner of said property having also paid the said taxes.

Br. Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board February 6, 1896, nonconcurring in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners of January 27, 1896, fixing the salary of Robert F. Martin, General Clerk in the Water Department, and detailed to duty in the office of the Clerk of the Board, at $100 per month on and after February 1, 1896, be and is hereby rescinded.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $68.75 in favor of D. E. Cleary to return duplicate payment of taxes, year 1895, on Lot part 10, Block 417, Seventh street, paid January 15, 1896, being duplicate of payment made December 13, 1895, and that the City Collector be notified.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $6.80 in favor of Ellen Reed and George T. Reed to return amounts erroneously assessed for water rents for 1895, for rear building on Lot 232, Block 635, Germania avenue, leaving an assessment of $1 to be charged for "horse" kept on said premises for the year named; the following assessment having been erroneously charged.

For rear building, $3.80, and cow $4, and that the Water Registrar be notified.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That the Board of Finance of Jersey City hereby endorses the bill presented to the House of Assembly of this State by Mr. Queen, Assemblyman from Hudson County, in relation to equal taxation, and hereby expresses its full sympathy in the resolutions adopted by the citizens of Hudson County, and pre-

sented to the members of this Board this date, and heartily endorses the same; and further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Committee appointed by the Legislature before whom a hearing on this question is now being had.

Mr. Simpson moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Thursday, February 27, 1896, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, February 27, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC

Petition of The Provident Institution for Savings, to return $13.75 for amount erroneously charged for taxes, year 1895.

Petition of Carrick & Wortendyke to have cancelled the assessment for change of grade on West Side avenue, from Yale avenue to Culver avenue, against certain property taken by the city for such change of grade.

Petition of McEwan & McEwan, attorneys of Thomas McEwan, Jr., for the reduction of the valuation of certain property taxed for year 1894.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., $2; Randolph Perkins, $21; Evening Journal Association, $5.60.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Chief Engineer, Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

Jersey City, N. J., February 26, 1896.

To the Hon. Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—I have been asked for my opinion together with the statement of the facts regarding the proposed sewer in Sixteenth street, between Grove and Henderson streets.

The facts are these, there is a 15-inch sewer at the present time in Sixteenth street built and owned by M. T. Connolly which runs from a point about 100 feet east of Grove street and connects with the 15-inch sewer in Henderson street. This sewer is amply large, the sewer in Grove street is an 18-inch sewer and the plan of the proposed sewer is to connect the Grove and Henderson street sewers with an 18-inch pipe with a reducer at the Henderson street end, reducing the 18-inch pipe to a 15-inch pipe.

This is nonsense. The two corner lots on Grove street and the two corner lots on Henderson street cannot be assessed for the proposed sewer.

The present sewer is well built, was built under the supervision of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, it answers every purpose, and will not cost the property owners along the street as much to connect with it as it will to build a new one.

The sewer in Sixteenth street is built in the centre of the street.

And to build another sewer alongside of the present one would compel the owners on one side of the street to siphon in to the sewer and as the grade of sewer cannot be changed it is not practicable.

This sewer cannot be taken up and cast aside without recompensing Mr. Connolly therefor.

Under a resolution passed by the Board of Public Works (years ago) and which has never been rescinded, the owner of a private sewer shall let any person connect with said sewer upon paying the owner what the sewer cost him per foot per lot, I can see no reason why another sewer should be built in Sixteenth street, between the points mentioned.

Very respectfully,

W. W. RUGGLES,
Chief Engineer.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

The following communication was also received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

To the Honorable Board of Finance:—

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned, a majority of the property owners fronting on Sixteenth street, between Grove and Henderson streets, do protest against the proposd sewer in said street, and petition your Board not to concur in the Board of Street and Water Commissioners' award of said improvement:—

Name of Owner.	Number of Feet.
M. T. Connolly	25
Cecilia Kemp, by M. T. Connolly, attorney	25
Henry Byrne	75
John Foster, x his mark. witness, Patrick Burns..	25
Mrs. Margaret Kane	50
Thomas Byrne	50
Elizabeth J. Van Horne, per Wm. Henry Lewis, attorney	25

From the Joint Outlet Commission:—

Requisition to pay $33.62 to Charles F. Ketcham & Co. for books and stationery furnished the Commission.

Referred to Committee on Salaries and Claims.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1. Resolution, that a quit claim deed of certain property purchased by the City at Tax Sale, for which a deed has been given, vesting the title in the City, the title to which is imperfect, be given to John Casey, same to be executed therefor under the seal of the City, etc.

(Adopted February 25, 1896.)

2. To assign certain certificates of Tax Sale to William G. Bumsted.

(Adopted February 25, 1896.)

3. Resolution to rescind the resolution (adopted February 11, 1896) assigning a certificate of tax sale to William H. Boyle.

(Adopted February 25, 1896.)

Referred to Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions were received from the above named Board and they were referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Three (3) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted February 24, 1896.)

2. That C. C. Vermeule, C. E., be employed as engineer for a new water supply, and as consulting engineer of the Water Department, said appointment to continue at the pleasure of this Board, etc., etc.

(Adopted February 27, 1896.)

3. Fixing the salary of C. C. Vermeule as the engineer for a new water supply and as consulting engineer for the Water Department, appointed this day, be and is hereby fixed at the rate of $3,500 per annum, said compensation and employment to be rescinded at the pleasure of this Board.

(Adopted February 27, 1896.)

4. Authorizing the improvement of Sip avenue, from Wiley street to Hudson Boulevard, and Wiley street, from Sip avenue to Hudson Boulevard.

(Adopted February 27, 1896.)

5. Inasmuch as there has been a conference between the Chief Engineer of this Board and Edward J. Landor, President of the Wrought Iron Bridge Company of Canton, Ohio, which Company has entered into a contract with the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City to construct the Thirteenth Street Viaduct, as to the advisability of strengthening the bracing on such structure, and as to what terms the same can be done, if done; and.

Whereas, The said Edward J. Landor, as President of said company has submitted an affidavit stating that such additional bracing would be done at the prices submitted at the letting of the contract for said work, and as such bracing does not change the character of such structure, but simply adds additional bracing to those now shown on the plans, but similar in character thereto.

Be it resolved that the Chief Engineer be authorized to insert such additional braces at the prices, at which the braces were awarded in the contract.

(Adopted February 27, 1896.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, be concurred in:—

1. Authorizing the Wrought Iron Bridge Company to place additional iron braces on the Thirteenth street viaduct at the same prices as in the contract for braces, &c.

(Adopted February 27, 1896.)

2. To fix the salary of Robert F. Martin, General Clerk in the Water Department and detailed in the office of the Clerk at $100 per month on and after February 1, 1896.

(Adopted February 27, 1896.)

3. Authorizing the improvement of Sip avenue, from Wiley street to Hudson Boulevard, &c.

(Adopted February 24, 1896.)

4. Ordering paid the following claims:—

September 17, 1895—A. Datz, $85.

November 12, 1895—J. C. Harness Co., $256.60.

December 23, 1895—A. P. Smith, $295.99; Timothy Healy, $15.35.

January 13, 1896—A. Datz, $44; Hine & Robertson, $7; Mathew Kearney, $37.80; S. J. Blakey, $12.50.

January 20, 1896—J. W. Harrison, $29; Fagan Iron Works, $147.98 and $163.93; A. Datz, $65; W. P. Lendrum, $42; James H. Loper, $12.50; J. F. Underhill, $11.70.

February 11, 1896—Holtzer Cabot Electric Co., $4.60 and $7.08; Fagan Iron Works, $218.33 and $183.75; W. W. Farrier, $27.25; J. E. McArthur, $135 and $38.50.

J. F. Underhill, $2.92; Charles B. Brush, $50; United Gas Improvement Co., $13.50, and W. P. Lendrum, $108.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee further reported making the following recommendations:—

1. Nonconcurring in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, January 27, 1896, awarding to Michael Mullery the contract for the construction of an 18-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Sixteenth street from Grove to Henderson street.

2. Concurring in the resolution from the Board of Aldermen adopted February 25, 1896, assigning to William G. Bumsted certain certificates of tax sale.

3. Concurring in the resolution from the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 25, 1896, giving to John Casey certain quit claim deeds for property purchased by the city.

The report was received and the recommendations therein contained were adopted by the votes of all the members of the Board present, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

A further report was presented by the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions, recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in.

"That C. C. Vermeule, C. E., be employed as engineer for a new water sup-

ply and as consulting engineer of the Water Department; said appointment to continue at the pleasure of this Board, and that as such engineer he be directed in conjunction with the Chief Engineer of this Board to prepare plans, specifications and proposals for a new water supply for Jersey City and submit the same to this Board."

"That the salary of C. C. Vermeule, as the engineer for a new water supply and as consulting engineer for the Water Department, appointed this day, be and is hereby fixed at the rate of $3,500 per annum, said compensation and employment to be rescinded at the pleasure of this board."

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—3.

Nays—President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh—2.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of a resolution ordering paid the following claim:—

$21 to Randolph Perkins for drawing deeds of property from Jersey City to private purchasers. (Chargeable to account of Martin act.)

The report was received and the claim was ordered paid by the votes of all the members present, five (5) in number, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of a resolution ordering paid the following claim:—

$5.45 to N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co. for telephone service, office of Corporation Counsel, September 1 to December 1, 1895.

The report was received and the claim was ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson (5).

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That on and after the first day of March, 1896, the position of Assistant to the Clerk of the First District Court of Jersey City be and is hereby declared vacant.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That Hamilton A. Lush be and is hereby appointed Assistant to the Clerk of the First District Court of Jersey City, the appointment to take effect March 1, 1896, and that the salary be fixed at the rate of $70 per month, payable only out of the fees received from District Courts.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $13.75 in favor of the Provident Institution for Savings to return amount overcharged, for taxes year 1895, on Lot 2A, Block 1,439, Danforth avenue, and paid November 30, 1895, the error having occurred in the making out of the tax bill, showing a valuation of $1,000 and a tax of $27.50 when the tax books only show a valuation of $500 and a tax of $13.75; and that the City Collector be notified.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $86,196.80, on account of county taxes of 1895.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That on and after this date all official bonds of constables of this city shall, before their presentation to this Board for its acceptance, be first submitted to the Corporation Counsel for his approval as to the same being drawn in proper form, and also to the Corporation Attorney for his endorsement as to the sufficiency of the sureties named in said bonds, and the Clerk of this Board is hereby instructed not to receive any constable's bonds unless the above provisions have been complied with.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That upon the reports of the Corporation Counsel and City Treasurer, endorsed upon the petition of Adelina De Mott, a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of said Adelina De Mott for twenty dollars and eighty-six cents, for amount of surplus realized upon the tax sale, under Chapter 112 of the laws of 1890 and the supplements thereto, made by the City Collector on October 9, 1890 on lot 3a4, block 806, Paterson Plank Road, over and above the sum as adjusted due the city, with interest, cost and disbursements.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK.
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms, at the City Hall, on Wednesday, March 4, 1896, at four (4) o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

The call for the meeting, issued by the President, which was for the transaction of "General Business," was read.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petition of B. Strothman, for the return of $60.32, paid in error for taxes, 1895.

Petition of James P. Northrop for the return of $5.87, surplus paid in redemption of property sold.

Petition of Annie Stiller, for the return of $16.50, amount paid for taxes 1895, in error.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

A communication was received from William Brinkerhoff, addressed to the President of this Board, relative to claim of C. C. Vermeule of $2,400 for services as expert engineer, in connection with subject matter of certiorari proceedings of the State, Van Reipen et al. vs. The Mayor and Aldermen and the Jersey City Water Company, and the employment of J. J. R. Croes by a committee of citizens as expert engineer, and the amount paid to him for his services in the examination of the sources of water supply of all competitive companies, their capacity, etc., which claim amounted to only $615 for such services.

Received and ordered filed.

CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and they were referred to their appropriate committees:—

Jersey City News, $3 and $20; W. W. Chilvers, $25, and New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Company, $2.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of "regular" meeting, February 20, and of "adjourned" meeting of February 27, 1896, were approved as engrossed in the Minute Book, on motion of Mr. Detwiller.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Police Commissioners:—

Resolution (adopted February 27, 1896), requesting the Board of Finance to transfer $243.95 from the account of Committee on "Health" to account of General claims (fiscal year 1894-1895).

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance:—

1. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers laying and repairing water pipe ($2,448.50), General Superintendent, etc. ($1,395.50), and employes at Belleville and High Service ($4,397.31), as per payrolls, all for the month of February, 1896.

(Adopted March 2, 1896.)

2. Three (3) resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted March 2, 1896.)

3. Awarding certain damages for lands taken in the opening, &c., of Jackson place, between Old Bergen Road and the Hudson County Public Road.

(Adopted March 2, 1896.)

4. Fixing the salary of Edward Freil, general workman at Belleville, appointed March 2, 1896 (in place of John Reilley dismissed) at $2 when engaged.

(Adopted March 2, 1896.)

All referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service ($4,397.31), of General Superintendent, &c. ($1,395.50) and laborers laying and repairing water pipe ($2,448.50), as per payrolls, all for the month of February, 1896.

(Adopted March 2, 1896.)

2. Awarding certain damages for land taken in the opening, &c., of Jackson place, between Old Bergen Road and Hudson County Public Road.

(Adopted March 2, 1896.)

3. Fixing the salary of Edward Freil, general workman at Belleville, appointed March 2, 1896, in place of John Reilley dismissed, at $2 per day when engaged.

(Adopted March 2, 1896.)

4. Ordering paid the following claims:—

February 11, 1896, R. B. Ingram, $12.50; J. Farrell, $38; Savage & Callery, $140.85.

February 24, 1896, Vanderbeek & Sons., $5 and $11.25; J. C. Harness Co., $17.65; J. E. Francke, $36; F. A. Smith, $27.71 and $4; Fagan Iron Works, $157.77.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The same committee further reported recommending that the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners February 4, 1896, be concurred in:—

Ordering paid the claim of C. C. Vermeule of $2,400 for services as expert engineer, from October 5 to November 15, 1895.

The report was received and the resolution was concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and

nays by the President:—

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—3.

Nays—President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh—2.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$81 to Wm. P. Douglass, fees as Judge Second Criminal Court for December, 1895. (Account fees from Second Criminal Court.)

$2 to N. J. Title Gurantee and Trust Company, for information seach. (Account "Martin act.")

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption or resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$25 to W. W. Chilvers for services rendered as assistant in the City Collector's office, February, 1896.

$20 to J. C. News, printing manual, pages 152-161.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By President Jones:—

Whereas, By the operation of the existing statute for the taxation of railroad and canal property in this State the interests of Jersey City are prejudiced and its legitimate revenue curtailed, while the property of the private citizen is compelled to bear a disproportionate share of the expense of maintaining municipal government; and

Whereas, These wrongs are caused by the privileged exemption of an immense body of corporate property held by railroad and canal companies from liability for taxation for other than State purposes, and the restriction of taxation for local purposes upon any of said property to a rate of one per cent. annually; and

Whereas, The Constitution of New Jersey, as amended in 1875, requires that "property shall be assessed for taxes under general laws and by uniform rules;" and

Whereas, Assembly Bill No. 1, now pending in the Legislature of this State, has for its object the redress of the wrong done in the premises to this city and to numerous other municipalities of this State, by so changing the terms of the act for the taxation of railroad and canal property as to conform the statute to the Constitution; therefore

Resolved, That as the Board of Finance of Jersey City we hereby endorse said Assembly Bill No. 1, and call upon the members of the Legislature representing this city to aid and promote its passage.

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel be, and hereby is, authorized and requested to appear in behalf of this city before the Legislature, or any committee thereof, in support of said bill.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions properly attested by the President and Clerk of this Board be communicated to Hon. John W. Queen and that he be requested to present, or cause the same to be presented, to both branches of the Legislature.

By Mr. Bailey.—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Randolph, Condict & Black, attorney of Thomas W. Leake, for $114.47 to pay the judgment obtained in the First District Court of Jersey City against the city, (judgment, $111.65; costs, $2.32; transcript, 50c.) in the suit of Thomas W. Leake vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, said amount to be paid out of account Printing, Stationery, etc., fiscal year 1894-1895; and further

Resolved, That the warrant shall not be delivered by the City Clerk unless upon the production of a proper satisfaction piece.

By Mr. Bailey.—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Robert Carey, attorney of Henry W. Moser, for $170 to pay the judgment obtained in the First District Court of Jersey City against the city (judgment, $166.78; costs, $2.72, and transcript, 50c.) in the suit of Henry W. Moser vs. The Mayor and Aldmen of Jersey City, said amount to be paid out of the account Printing, Stationery, etc., fiscal year 1894-1895; and further

Resolved, That the warrant shall not be delivered by the City Clerk unless upon the production of a proper satisfaction piece.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to cancel the assessment for the change of grade of West Side avenue from Yale avenue to Culver avenue, of $100, confirmed Decem-

ber 18, 1895, against Lots A, 5 to 8, Block 1998½, formerly owned by Mrs. Ellen W. Cole, for the reason that the said Mrs. Ellen W. Cole was awarded $2,000 damages suffered by reason of the change of grade, and was assessed $100 for benefits, and in paying the damages awarded the assessment for benefits was deducted and a warrant for $1,900 was paid to said Mrs. Cole.

Awards were made by resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners October 8, 1894.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Annie Stiller for $16.50 to return duplicate payment of taxes, year 1895, on Lots 36 and 37, Block 1,376, Neptune avenue ($8.25 on each lot) paid by the owner, Dr. Finn, December 23, 1895, and paid inadvertently by Annie Stiller January 6, and January 10, 1896, and that the City Collector be notified.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That upon the reports of the Corporation Counsel and City Comptroller endorsed upon the petition of James P. Northrop, a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James P. Northrop for five dollars and eighty-seven cents for amount of surplus realized upon the tax sale, under Chapter 112, of the Laws of 1886, and the supplements thereto, made by the City Collector on April 16, 1895, on Lots 4, Block 1,323 Stegman street, over and above the sum as adjusted due the city, with interest, cost and disbursements.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to make the following transfers account of the Board of Police Commissioners fiscal year 1894-1895:—

$243.95 from account "Committee on Health" to account "General Claims."

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

On Thursday, March 5, 1896, at the hour of eight o'clock P. M., at the regular meeting room of the Board of Finance, in the City Hall, I called the roll of membership of the Board of Finance, no one of whom responded, all of said members being absent.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, March 19, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Absent—None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the special meeting, March 4, and regular meeting, March 5, 1896, were approved as engrossed in the minute book, on motion of Mr. Detwiller.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Petition of William L. Miller to have cancelled certain assessments for the change of grade on West Side avenue.

Petition of John P. Landrine, Secretary of Highland Mutual Building and Loan Association, to return $27.50 erroneously paid for taxes, year 1894.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

A communication was presented by C. C. Vermeule relative to the communication of William Brinkerhoff, Esq., received by this Board March 4, 1896.

Mr. Detwiller moved that the communication be received and placed on file.

Mr. Hardenbergh offered the following amendment:—

Whereas, The communication of C. C. Vermeule consists of personal explanations upon points as to which this Board has taken final action by the allowance of his claim at a reduced rate of compensation, which reduction he has accepted; and

Whereas, Matters personal to Mr. Vermeule and which are in controversy between him and private citizens of Jersey City should be settled elsewhere, and should not be brought before this Board for discussion; therefore

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be directed to return said communication to Mr. Vermeule, by mailing it to him at his address in the city of New York, with a copy of this resolution.

The amendment was rejected by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh—2.

Nays—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—3.

The motion of Mr. Detwiller was then adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller and Simpson—3.

Nays—President Jones and Mr. Hardenbergh—2.

CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented and received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

N. J. Title Guarantee and Trust Co., $20; Hugo Mootz, $8.50; J. W. Harrison, $4.15; James F. Norton, $132; A. J. Boyle, $40; J. H. Potts, $150; Western Union Tel. Co., $3; Postal Tel. Cable Co., $22.24; Stiffel & Freeman, $185; W. W. Chilver, $26; Chronicle Pub. Co., $18, $12.50; Peter Golden, $20, $40; F. P. Van Saun, $25; C. S. Westervelt, $30; A. Datz, $15; Peter Dafeldecker, $27.10; A. Datz, $11.50 and $60; A. J. Doan, $27.05, and Postal Tel. Cable Co., $2.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the City Clerk:—

Jersey City, N. J., March 9, 1896.

The Hon. Board of Finance:—

Gents—Your attention is respectfully directed to a lot of cancelled coupon bonds in this office which we desire to burn in your presence. Will you kindly arrange to attend the cremation on Friday, March 13 or 20, at three P. M., and advise this office in advance.

Yours truly,

E. W. WOOLLEY,
City Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the communication was received and the invitation accepted, and the Clerk of this Board was directed to notify the City Clerk that this Board will attend the ceremonies on March 20, at three o'clock P. M.

From the Clerk of this Board:—

The Clerk of this Board announced that application was made to procure a copy of the official bond of Philip M. Kaiser, constable, by the filing in this office March 17, 1896, an affidavit of neglect and default on the part of said constable on behalf of William H. Kellner and als., partners trading as Hahne & Co., and a copy of such bond was furnished.

On motion the affidavit was received and accepted and ordered filed.

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Awarding to J. H. Byrnes the contract for the construction of a lateral sewer in Kearny avenue, from a point about 900 feet westerly from West Side avenue, thence through Kearny avenue to and connecting with sewer in West Side avenue, when completed conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

2. Awarding to P. T. Plunkett the contract for the construction of a lateral sewer in Fifteenth street from Henderson street to Provost street conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

3. Awarding to H. H. Holmes the contract for the construction of a lateral sewer in Ege avenue from a point about 50 feet westerly from the Hudson County Public Road (Hudson Boulevard); thence through Ege avenue and connecting with the sewer in West Side avenue when completed, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217, of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

4. Awarding to Burke & Jones the contract for the construction of a 15-inch vitrified pipe sewer in Van Wagenen avenue from a point 350 feet north of St. Paul's avenue through Van Wagenen avenue and connecting with sewer in St. Paul's avenue, conformably to the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Laws of 1895.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

5. Fixing the salary of P. J. Kennedy, appointed February 11, 1896, as laborer on meters, vice Joseph Welsh promoted. at $65 per month.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

6. Ordering paid the salaries of the Water Registrar, etc., in the Water Department for the month of March, 1896, when due as per payroll, amounting to $3,193.31.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

7. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers on meters for the month of March, 1896, when due, as per payroll, amounting to $540.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

8. Fixing the salary of John J. O'Keefe, appointed laborer on meters, March 19, 1896, vice Martin Collins dismissed, at $70 per month.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

9. To fix the salary of Daniel F. Shea, appointed March 9, 1896, as re-assessor in place of William Holcomb, deceased, at $75 per month.

(Adopted March 9, 1896.)

10. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted March 9, 1896.)

11. To fix the salary of R. R. Smith, appointed March 9, 1896, as laborer on water pipe, in place of Frank Caulfield, deceased, at $2 per day when engaged.

(Adopted March 9, 1896.)

12. To pay $75 to Lydia R. Holcomb, widow of Wm. Holcomb, deceased, for services of William Holcomb as re-assessor for February, 1896, and bond of indemnity to be given.

(Adopted March 9, 1896.)

13. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

14. That the salary of General Workman, appointed February 11, 1896, be and is hereby fixed at $2 per day when engaged, C. H. Hooper, vice John Reilay, dismissed.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

15. That the salary of fireman at High Service, appointed February 11, 1896, be and is hereby fixed at $60 per month, John Murphy, vice George Drinkwater, dismissed.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

16. That the salary of painter, appointed February 11, 1896, be and is hereby fixed at $3 per day when engaged, Joseph Welsh, vice Joseph McCarthy, resigned.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

17. Fixing the salary of S. L. Barry, appointed February 11, 1896, laborer on meters at $65 per month, vice John J. O'Keefe, promoted.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

The following resolutions were also received from the same Board, and they were referred to the Committee on Finance:—

1. Requesting the Board of Finance to transfer to an account to be designated as "General Claims" account, 1894-1895, the unexpended balances of appropriations made to said Board of Street and Water Commissioners, amounting to $1,408.99, to pay claims of said fiscal year.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

2. Requesting Board of Finance to transfer to an account to be designated as "General Claims" account, 1893-1894, the unexpended balances of appropriations made to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, amounting to $493.83, to liquidate claims for said fiscal year.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

3. Requesting Board of Finance to transfer to the account of Printing and Stationery, fiscal year 1894-1895, all unexpended balances of appropriations made to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for said fiscal year, amounting to $120.03.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

4. Certifying to the Board of Finance an itemized statement of the cost of advertising required for each of certain improvements.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the following salaries for the month of March, 1896, when due as per payrolls:—

Water Registrar, etc., amounting to $3,193.31.

Laborers on meters, etc., amounting to $540.

(Adopted March 16, 1896.)

2. To pay to Lydia R. Holcomb, widow of William Holcomb, deceased, $75 for services of said William Holcomb as Re-Assessor in the Water Department, for February, 1896, upon the filing of an indemnity bond, warrant drawn in favor of William Holcomb having been ordered cancelled.

(Adopted March 9, 1896.)

3. That the salary of general workman appointed February 11, 1896, be and is hereby fixed at $2 per day when engaged, C. H. Hooper, vice John Reilay, dismissed.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.

4. That the salary of painter, appointed February 11, 1896, be and is hereby fixed at $3 per day when engaged, Joseph Welsh, vice Joseph McCarthy, resigned.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

5. Fixing the salary of D. F. Shea, appointed March 9, 1896, as Re-Assessor, in place of William Holcomb, deceased, at $75 per month.

(Adopted March 9, 1896.)

6. Fixing the salary of John J. O'Keefe, appointed laborer on meters, vice Martin Collins, dismissed (March 19, 1896), at $70 per month.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

7. Fixing the salary of P. J. Kennedy, appointed February 11, 1896, as laborer on meters, vice Joseph Welsh, promoted, at $65 per month.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

8. Fixing the salary of S. L. Barry, appointed February 11, 1896, laborer on meters, at $65 per month, vice John J. O'Keefe, promoted.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

9. That the salary of fireman at High Service, appointed February 11, 1896, be and is hereby fixed at $60 per month, John Murphy, vice George Drinkwater, dismissed.

(Adopted March 19, 1896.)

10. Fixing the salary of R. R. Smith, appointed March 9, 1896, as laborer on water pipe in place of Frank Caulfield, deceased, at $2 per day when engaged.

(Adopted March 9, 1896.)

11. Ordering paid the following claims:—

January 13, 1896, J. F. Underhill, $11.90.

January 20, 1896, R. D. Wood & Co., $19.80.

February 4, 1896, Holtzer Cabot Electric Co., $49.52.

February 11, 1896, Holtzer Cabot Electric Co., $7.35; J. F. Underhill, $15.30.

February 24, 1896, A. Datz, $10.

March 2, 1896, F. A. Smith, $12.20; Brown & Miller, $6.16; Fagan Iron Works, $215.02; J. W. Harrison, $6.50; H. F. Hayes, $74.45; Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Co., $49; Richard Monohan, $32.25; United Gas Improvement Co., $8.10, $2, $17.10 and $4.50; M. D. Skinner, $5.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$15 to Albert Datz for printing for City Comptroller.

$185 to Stiffel & Freeman, metal file case for City Clerk.

$30 to C. S. Westervelt for itemizing reports, Commissioners of Adjustment, March, 1896, when due.

$25 to F. P. Van Saun for typewriting, &c., City Comptroller's office, March, 1896, when due.

$12.50 to Chronicle Publishing Co. for printing, &c., for City Clerk.

$18 to Chronicle Publishing Co. for printing posters, handbills, &c., for City Clerk.

(All chargeable to account of Martin act.)

$40 to Peter Golden for tending fires in City Hall during the month of March, 1896, when due.

(Chargeable to salaries account.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote, on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The same committee further reported recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of March, 1896, when due, to wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney for cleaning rooms.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of March, 1896, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City News, $229.16; The Evening Journal, $229.16; The J. C. Herald, $229.16.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of March, 1896, when due as follows:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to Wm. F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk of Board of Finance.

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Asst. to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Charles F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to William H. Vermilyea, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James H. Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$250 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$75 to E. T. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

$100 to Wm. C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$125 to T. Y. Brown, Draughtsman to Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

The report was received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(All chargeable to account of printing, stationery, &c., year 1895-1896.)

$27.05 to A. J. Doan for printing briefs for Corporation Attorney.

$2 to Postal Tel. Cable Co. for messenger service to Board of Finance during month of February, 1896.

$27.10 to Peter Dafeldeker for carpenter work, &c., &c., Board of Finance.

$20 to Peter Golden for services as messenger to Board of Finance and Mayor's office during the month of March, 1896, when due.

$26 to W. W. Chilver for services as clerk in City Collector's office for March, 1896, when due (temporary appointment).

$11.50 to Albert Datz for printing and stationery for Board of Finance.

$60 to Albert Datz for warrant books for City Clerk.

$4.50 to N. J. Title and Abstract Co. for furnishing abstracts of titles to property to be acquired for school purposes.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received, and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Detwiller, Hardenbergh and Simpson—5.

Nays—None.

Absent—None.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be and are hereby respectfully requested to inform this Board when George W. Phillips was appointed as chemist, the length of term and the purpose of such appointment.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer to be deposited to the credit of April, 1896, interest, as follows:—

On general account.....	$33,975.00
On general account, to pay interest on assessment bonds...	36,725.00
On water account.....	42,650.00
Total....	$113,350.00

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $9.96 (including penalty, 28c.; interest, 43c.) in favor of Benjamin Ritter to return amount erroneously assessed for water rents for year 1894, on a building fronting on Orient avenue and located on lot E, block 704, for the reason that the building is an addition to the building fronting on Bergen avenue, on which is charged for water rents the sum of $17.40, which assessment covers both buildings, as appears by the certificate of the Water Assessor, and that the Water Registrar be notified.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board January 23, 1896, concurring in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, adopted January 20, 1896, relating to the purchase of a plot of ground on the west side of Public School Building No. 24, for the sum of $600, and to be paid out of "license monies," be and the same is hereby rescinded.

By Mr. Detwiller:—

Resolved, That this Board hereby concurs in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, adopted January 20, 1896, to purchase for the "Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City" for the sum of $600, the plot of ground, 20x185, on the west side of Public School building No. 24; and further

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and is hereby directed to issue a temporary loan bond in the sum of $600, and the City Comptroller is hereby instructed to set apart the proceeds of the sale of such bond, to be drawn upon by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for the payment of property hereinbefore mentioned; and

Resolved, That said sum of $600 be placed in the next tax levy.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn in favor of John P. Landrine, Secretary of the Highland Mutual Building and Loan Association for $27.50 to return amount erroneously paid January 15, 1895, for taxes year 1894, on lot "8 and "9, Block 75, Dick street, the owner of said property having also paid the taxes for said year, and that the City Collector be notified.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That on and after March 20, 1896, the position held by Kate Battersbee, in cleaning room in the City Hall be and is hereby declared vacant.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the meeting then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its room at the City Hall on Thursday, April 2, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenburgh and Simpson—4.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the regular meeting held March 19, 1896, were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received, and they were referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims.

Of Bridget Cutley, per J. D. Manning, attorney, petitioning for the return of surplus money in redemption of lands sold at tax sales.

Of Christian F. Flaacke for the return of $15.42 for duplicate payment, taxes for year 1890.

Of Margaret A. Masterson and Walter T. Masterson for return of water rents erroneously paid.

Of Minnie Benton for the return of certain taxes paid in error.

A communication was presented by W. G. E. See, attorney, submitting transcript of judgment recovered in the First District Court in favor of J. W. Harrison for $99.10, supplies furnished to Board of Street and Water Commissioners and requesting payment of same.

Referred to the Committee on Finance

CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

James F. Norton, $100; W. P. Douglas, $60; George B. Fielder, $50.47; John A. Nugent, $7.70; Collins & Corbin, $563.08 and $2,176.13; Hamilton A. Lush, $70; Albert Payne, $66.66; W. W. Farrier, $5.35 and $5.45; Frank Paulin, $25 and $25; Lewis Max, $1.50; J. M. Mossman, $3; Albert Datz, $30; J. C. News, $22 and $10; C. G. Rochat, $2; J. W. Harrison, $17.35, $218.65 and $162.20.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Resolution, To sell and convey to the Greenville Building and Loan Association certain property purchased by the city at tax sale, and for which the city holds the deed.

(Adopted March 24, 1896.)

Referred to Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

The following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners and requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance, were received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Fixing the salary of Thomas Killen, appointed March 24, 1896, as coal passer at Belleville, at $2 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted March 24, 1896.)

2. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted March 24, 1896.)

3. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted March 30, 1896.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions be concurred in:—

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

1. Ordering paid the claim of Philip Ely, $389.62.

(Adopted February 17, 1896.

2. Fixing the salary of Thomas Killen, appointed March 24, 1896, as coal passer at Belleville, at $2 per day, when engaged.

(Adopted March 24, 1896.)

From the Board of Aldermen:—

1. To sell and convey to the Greenville Building and Loan Association certain property purchased by the city and for which the city holds a deed.

(Adopted March 24, 1896.)

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following clams:—

$70 to Hamilton A. Lush for services as assistant to clerk of First District Court of Jersey City for the month of March, 1896.

$66.66 to Albert Payne for services as Marshal of Second District Court for the month of March, 1896, when due.

(Chargeable to account of District Court fees.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

(All chargeable to account of printing, stationery, &c., year 1895-1896.)

$5.35 to W. W. Farrier for plumbing work in Mayor's office.

$5.45 to W. W. Farrier for plumbing work in Board of Finance office.

$25 to Frank Paullin for furnishing ses-

sion bills 1896, files, minutes, manuals, &c., to office of Board of Finance.

$25 to Frank Paullin for furnishing session bills 1896, postage, manuals and minutes for Mayor's office.

$1.50 to Lewis Max for glazing done in City Hall.

$3 to J. M. Mossman for repairs to City Treasurer's safe.

$22 to Jersey City News for manual pages, Board of Finance, pages 162-172.

$10 to Jersey City News for printing manual, pages Nos. 173-177 inclusive, Board of Finance.

$2 to C. G. Rochat for repairing clock in City Collector's office.

$17.35 to J. W. Harrison for stationery, &c., for City Treasurer.

$218.65 to J. W. Harrison for stationery, and printing for City Comptroller.

$162.20 to J. W. Harrison for printing and stationery for City Collector.

$8.50 to Hugo Mootz for locksmith, &c., City Hall.

$5.60 to the Evening Journal Association for advertising City Collector's assessment notices.

$3 to The Jersey City News for advertising City Collector's notices regarding assessments for joint outlet sewer.

The same committee further reported recommending the adoption of resolution ordering paid the following claim:—

$30 to Albert Datz for printing tax sale books.

(Chargeable to account "Martin act.")

The reports were received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented and received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $66.07 in favor of Vredenburgh and Garretson, to pay tax costs in suit State, The Berwynd White Coal and Mining Co., pros., vs. "The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City," as per bill of the Clerk of the Supreme Court hereto attached.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $19.51 in favor of Vredenburgh and Garretson, to pay tax costs in suit State, the United New Jersey Railroad and Canal Co. vs. "The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City," as per bill of the Clerk of the Supreme Court hereto attached.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, for the sum of $639.15, to return amount of purchase money on Plot 2, Block 1,256, Sale No. 5,350, sold by the City Collector April 16, 1895, and subsequently paid by owner, and that the City Clerk be directed to cancel the sale of record, also certificate No. 2,697.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $20,000, on account of county taxes of 1895.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board March 19, 1896, dismissing Kate Battersbee be and the same is hereby rescinded.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $30 in favor of Kate Battersbee to pay the salary due her for services rendered in "cleaning rooms in the City Hall" during the month of March, 1896.

Chargeable to account of "Salaries."

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to cancel the following assessments for the "Change of grade of West Side avenue from Yale avenue to Culver avenue," confirmed December 18, 1895, for the reason that the award for damages exceed the amount of the assessments and that warrants for $225 being the excess have been ordered drawn in favor of Edmund Kinsey and Edmund and Emma Kinsey, who on the 12th day of March, 1896, petitioned for the cancellation of above assessment.

Lots	Commissioner's Numbers.	Block,	Assessed Benefits.	Damages.	Excess.	Name.
T	43	721	$70.00	$50.00		Edmund Kinsey
U	44	721	$50.00	$75.00	$5.00	"
71	45	721				Edm'd & Emma Kinsey
70	46	721	$30.00	$250.00	$220.00	" "
69	47	721				" "
					$225.00	

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $15.42 in favor of C. F. Flaacke to return amount of taxes for year 1890 on lot 31, block 408-411, Harrison avenue (as adjusted), paid November 23, 1895, being duplicate of payment made April 17, 1895, and that the City Collector be notified.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Mrs. B. Strothman for $60.32 to return amount of taxes for year 1896, paid in error December 11, 1895, on lot 25, block 565, Laidlaw avenue, the taxes having also been paid on January 13, 1896, by the owner of the property, F. W. Mitchell.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following claim incurred in the construction of the "joint outlet sewer" between Jersey City and West Hoboken, being 54 per cent. of the whole of said claim chargeable to Jersey City, $33.62 to Charles F. Ketcham & Co., for printing and binding original assessment book, and binding and mounting original assessment maps, &c.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $99.10 in favor of William G. E. See, attorney of John W. Harrison, to pay the judgment recovered in the First District Court in the suit of J. W. Harrison vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, and that said amount be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of temporary loan bond directed to be issued July 30, 1895, for the payment of the claims of J. W. Harrison, aggregating the above named amount.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer to transfer from adjusted lien account collections made February 19, 1896, to April 1, 1896, inclusive, as follows:—

To general account, advertising fees	$136.00
To general account, adjusted taxes, 1894	10,977.49
To tax arrearage fund, 1893, adjusted taxes, 1893	11,357.48
To tax arrearage fund, 1892, adjusted taxes, 1892	11,753.71
To tax arrearage fund, 1891, adjusted taxes, 1891	6,583.11
To tax arrearage fund, 1890, adjusted taxes, 1890	4,799.56
To tax arrearage fund, 1889, adjusted taxes, 1889	5,214.48
To tax arrearage fund, 1888, adjusted taxes, 1888	3,096.75
To tax arrearage fund, adjusted taxes, 1875 to 1887	3,794.54
To tax arrearage fund, interest on adjusted taxes	4,264.84
To sinking fund, 1873, adjusted taxes, 1872 and previous years	38.07
To sinking fund, 1873, adjusted taxes, 1873 and 1874	91.26
To assessment account, adjusted assessments	10,260.20
To water account, adjusted water rents	2,927.34
Total	$75,294.83

Mr. Simpson moved that the resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners relating to improvements and awaiting the concurrence of the Board of Finance be referred to the Committee of the Whole, to confer with the Board of Street and Water Commissioners.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Special meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, April 9, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

The call for the meeting, issued by the President, which was for the transaction of general business, was read.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 2, 1896, were approved as engrossed in the minute book, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, ETC.

The following petitions were presented, received and they were each referred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of Joseph Belte, relative to assessment for joint outlet sewer, between Jersey City and West Hoboken, and of Mrs. C. Hoppe relative to the same improvement.

Of Albert J. Dayton, attorney, for the Rector, etc., of Christ Church, of the Township of Bergen, for the return of certain taxes paid, claimed to be overcharged.

Of E. W. Ackerman, to return $17.50 erroneously paid for taxes 1896.

CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented and received and referred to their appropriate committees:—

Jersey City News, $22.50 and $71.35; N. Y. & N. J. Telephone Co., $44.35, $5.80, $26.10 and $1.70; Postal Telegraph Cable Co., $4 and $20.21; John A. Nugent, $7.70; A. Datz, $5, and Jersey City Printing Co., $32.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Board of Aldermen:—

Resolution, to sell and convey to Frank J. Mathews certain property purchased by the city at tax sales, and for which the city now holds a deed.

(Adopted April 7, 1896.)

Referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

From the City Collector:—

Communication certifying that he has received from the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for collection the following assessment maps:—

Improvement Sherman avenue, South to North street, amount $7,167.25.

Improvement Ogden avenue, Ferry to Franklin streets, amount $4,622.

Improvement Fairmount avenue, Hudson County Public Road to West Side avenue, amount $8,241.

Improvement Brown place, Avenue E to Garfield avenue, amount $2,959.

Sewer, Ocean avenue, Armstrong place, Woodlawn and Garfield avenues, amount $4,713.

Received and ordered filed.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

Communication, through the Clerk of said Board giving the information requested by the Board of Finance in the resolution (adopted March 19, 1896) relative to the appointment of G. W. C. Phillips, chemist.

Received and ordered filed.

The following resolutions requiring the concurrence of the Board of Finance were also received from the Board of Street and Water Commisisoners, and they were referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Ordering paid certain claims.

(Adopted April 6, 1896.)

2. Ordering paid the salaries of General Superintendent, &c., in the Water Department for the month of March, 1896, as per payroll, amounting to $1,470.50.

(Adopted April 6, 1896.)

3. Ordering paid the salaries of laborers, laying and repairing water pipe for the month of March, 1896, as per payroll, amounting to $2,534.37.

(Adopted April 6, 1896.)

4. Ordering paid the salaries of employes at Belleville and High Service for the month of March, 1896, as per payroll, amounting to $4,577.14.

(Adopted April 6, 1896.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the following salaries for the month of March, 1896, as per payrolls:—

General Superintendent, &c., amounting to $1,470.50.

Belleville and High Service, amounting to $4,577.14.

Laying and repairing water pipe, amounting to $2,534.37.

(Adopted April 6, 1896.)

2. Ordering paid the following claims:—

January 13, 1896—Holtzer Cabot Electric Co., $53.50; Jarvis F. Underhill, $35.50.

January 20, 1896—A. Datz, $370.

February 4, 1896—J. Schellenberger, $50.

February 11, 1896—J. F. Underhill, $22 and $79.41; W. W. Farrier, $73.50.

February 17, 1896—George W. C. Phillips, $250.

February 24, 1896—R. B. Ingram, Jr., $26.

March 2, 1896—Savage & Callery, $184.60; Theo. Smith & Bro., $174.35 and $182; Jersey City Harness Co., $80.30; W. W. Farrier, $15, $146.38, $153.09 and $145.

March 9, 1896—W. H. Rees, $14.40; R. B. Ingram, Jr., $14.28; J. F. Underhill, $14.35; $8.05, $75.72 and $1.65; A. Datz, $65.15 and $34.40; Brown & Miller, $34.17; W. W. Farrier, $194.98 and $52.18.

March 16, 1896—Wood & Menagh, $157.21; Theo. Smith & Bro., $218.90; E. O'Hara,

$5.50; Holtzer-Cabot Electric Co., $20; A. Datz, $3.50, $35 and $4.50; W. W. Farrier, $47.50.

March 24, 1896—Fagan Iron Works, $373.57; R. M. Gilmore Manufacturing Co., $12; Joseph E. Franke, $69; Evening Journal Association, $37.50; Warren Foundry and Machine Co., $153.35; R. Jackson, $20; H. F. Hayes, $51.05; L. Auterich, $2; J. W. Harrison, $83.80, $3.85 and $7.90; W. W. Farrier, $163.20; United Gas Improvement Co., $7.80, $5.85 and $12; A. Datz, $20.50, $20 and $7.50; F. A. Smith, $21.50.

March 30, 1896—W. W. Farrier, $6; United Gas Improvement Co., $13.65; R. M. Gilmore Manufacturing Co., $477.71; Brinckmann & Hauck, $44.20; Daniel McDonald, $25.

April 6, 1896—H. F. Hayes, $72.75; G. & L. Schmidt, $22; Thomas W. Leake, $16.50; Sheffer & Budenberg, $10; J. F. Underhill, $146.08 and $93.33; John E. McArthur, $67.49; J. W. Harrison, $12; Chapman Derrick and Wrecking Co., $315; Warren Foundry and Machine Co., $14.96, $30.15 and $26.98; Silas St. John, $6.25.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

The same committee further reported recommending that the following resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen April 7, 1896, be concurred in:—

"To sell and convey to Frank J. Mathews certain property bought by the city at tax sale, for which the city holds deed."

The report was received and the resolution was concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending the adoption of resolutions ordering paid the following claims:—

$231 to J. Herbert Potts, fees as Judge, First Criminal Court, bill of December 7, 1895. (Chargeable to account fees, First Criminal Court.)

$66 to William P. Douglass, fees as Judge, Second Criminal Court, during January, 1896. (Chargeable to account fees, Second Criminal Court.)

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of resolution ordering paid the following claims:—

(All chargeable to account of printing, stationery, &c., year 1895-1896.)

$5 to Albert Datz for postage stamps for Mayor's office.

$7.70 to John A. Nugent for furnishing copies of Judge Lippincott's decisions in the following cases:—Erwin-Davis-and Smith.

$4 to Postal Tel. Cable Co. for messenger service to Board of Finance month of March, 1896.

$1.70 to N. Y. and N. J. Tel. Co. for telephone service to Board of Finance from December 1, 1895, to March 1, 1896.

$71.35 to The Jersey City News for printing copies of case James S. Erwin vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City.

The report was received and the claims were each ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were presented, received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

By Mr. Bailey, on behalf of the Committee on Finance:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to transfer to an account to be designated as "General Claims Account, 1893-1894," the unexpended balances of appropriations made to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, amounting to $493.83, to liquidate unpaid claims for said fiscal year, as follows:—

Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., labor, etc., Brown place sewer, March, 1894..	$154 63
Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., labor, etc., Woodlawn avenue sewer, April, 1894..	111 42
Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., labor, etc., Brown place sewer, April, 1894..	170 88
Henry & McGibney, earth filling, Van Winkle street, October, 1894.	36 50
Vanderbeek & Sons, surveyor's stakes, October, 1894..	20 40
Total..	$493 83

By Mr. Bailey, on behalf of the Committee on Finance:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to transfer to an account to be designated as "General

Claims Account, 1894-1895," the unexpended balances of appropriations made to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners, amounting to $1,408.99, to liquidate unpaid claims for said fiscal year, as follows:—

Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., labor, etc., Woodlawn avenue sewer, April, 1895..	$67 46
Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., labor, etc., Danforth avenue sewer, April, 1895..	38 60
Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., labor, etc., Hatch avenue sewer, April, 1895..	25 73
J. W. Harrison, bid book and supplies, June, 1895..	19 90
J. W. Harrison, blue print paper, March, 1895..	2 00
Henry & McGibney, repairing Boulevard where crossed by Stuyvesant avenue sewer, April, 1895..	300 00
John Bannon, team and truck, cleaning sewers and basins, November, 1895.....	72 00
Thomas Glock, team and truck, cleaning sewers and basins, November, 1895.....	72 00
P. Feeley, team and truck, cleaning sewers and basins, November, 1895....	42 00
Henry Byrne, repairing Brown place sewer, March, 1895....	475 30
Henry Steuler, use of team, etc., on unpaved streets, October, 1895....	294 00
Total..... ....$1,408 99	

By Mr. Bailey, on behalf of the Committee on Finance:—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to transfer to the account of printing and stationery, fiscal year 1894-1895, all unexpended balances of appropriations made to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for said fiscal year, amounting to $120.03.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $2.75 in favor of Minnie Benton to return amount paid in error for taxes, year 1896, on lot 13, Block 945, Lake street, the taxes assessed originally, $27.50, having been reduced by the Commissioners of Appeals to $24.75, the amount ordered returned being the difference between these two amounts.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $69.33 in favor of Margaret A. and Walter J. Masterson to return amounts paid for overcharged water rents, as follows, on lot No. "7, Block 65, Washington street, no water closets having ever been constructed to connect with the water mains of this city on said property:—

1894, '93, '92, '91, '90, '89 and '88 at $8 each.... ....$56 00	
1887..	13 33
Total $69 33	

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $17.50 in favor of Edwin W. Ackerman, to return amount paid in error for taxes, year 1896, on Lot 14, Block 777 Palisade avenue; an error having been made in making out tax bill; assessed valuation should have been $2,200 in stead of $2,800, and no poll tax of $1 should have been charged.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board January 15, 1896, relative to the concurrence in the resolution of the Board of Street and Water Commissioners of October 29, 1895, in the purchase of the lot adjoining Public School No. 8, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners October 29, 1895, to purchase the property adjoining Public School No. 8, for $1,554.25 be and is hereby concurred in; and further

Resolved, That a temporary loan bond be issued by the Committee on Finance for $1,554.25 at a rate of interest not to exceed 4 per cent. per annum, and that the proceeds of the sale of such bond be set aside by the City Comptroller to be drawn upon by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners for the payment of the property above named, and that the said sum of $1,554.25 be placed in the next tax levy.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, to transfer from general account to the Sinking Fund Commissioners the unexpended amounts now standing to the credit of the following accounts:—

Amount received from old engine house, Essex street.....$1,182 27	
Amount received from construction of sewer, Railroad avenue.....	533 77
Amount received from sale of iron fence, Van Vorst Park.....	303 85
Amount received from North Hudson County Railroad.....	73 54
Amount received from Consolidated Traction Company.....	1,056 21
Total.. ....$3,149 64	

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, April 16, 1896, at eight o'clock P. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the special meeting, April 9, 1896, were approved as engrossed in the minute book on motion of Mr. Simpson.

PETITIONS, &c.

The following petitions were presented, received and referrred to the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Of George Savage, to transfer to the credit of property owned by him certain payments made in error on wrong property for taxes for years 1893 and 1894.

Of George Vreeland and others, petitioning for the cancellation of certain assessments against certain property owned by the Methodist Church Cemetery.

CLAIMS.

The following claims were presented, received and they were each referred to their appropriate committees:—

Peter Golden, $20; Randolph Perkins, $140; Peter Golden, $40; Albert Payne, $66.66; C. S. Westervelt, $30; F. P. Van Saun, $25; Hamilton A. Lush, $70; Lammers & Tiedeman, $6.60; Jersey City News, $255; Jersey City Herald, $258; William P. Douglass, $63; Andrew J. Boyle, $42; N. Y. & N. J. Tel. Co., $31.65.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS,

From the City Collector:—

Jersey City, April 10, 1896.

Hon. Board of Finance, Jersey City:—

Gentlemen—Herewith please find statement showing taxes due on property purchased for the new City Hall site and which remain unpaid for years 1891 and 1893, and which should either be cancelled on the books in this office, or steps taken to collect of the former owners, if in the purchasing of the lots they should pay it.

Yours truly,

S. H. SMITH,
City Collector.

1891 taxes unpaid on new City Hall property:—

Block 201, lot Z, Montgomery street, George R. McKenzie....	136.32
Block 201, lot Y, Montgomery street, George R. McKenzie....	136.32
Block 201, lot X, Montgomery street, George R. McKenzie....	136.32
Block 201, Lot, 59, Montgomery street, Hugh Miller.....	113 60
Block 201, Lot 40, Mercer street, John Edelstein.....	56 80
Block 201, Lot 39, Mercer street, James Hunt....	56 80
Block 201, Lot 38, Mercer street, James and John Diver.....	71 00
Block 201, Lot D, Mercer street, P. G. Van Zandt.....	65 32
Block 201, Lot C, Mercer street, P. J. Gormley....	65 32
Block 201, Lot B, Mercer street, F. P. Budden.....	51 12
Block 201, Lot A, Mercer street, Robert R. Sterling.....	65 32
Block 201, Lot F, Mercer street, Mary F. Brown.....	71 00
Block 201, Lot E1, Mercer street, George W. Morris.....	71 00
Block 201, Lot D1, Mercer street, James Whitfield.....	99 40
Block 201, Lot B1, Mercer street, George K. Klink.....	99 40
Block 201, Lot C1, Mercer street, Hugh Cranshaw.....	99 40
Block 201, Lot A1, Mercer street, J. C. and Ann Wittpen.....	170 40
Total..	$1,564 84

1893 taxes unpaid on new City Hall property:—

Block 201, Lot 56, Montgomery street, est. George R. McKenzie..	$110 00
Block 201, Lot W, Montgomery street, Horace W. Farrier.....	110 00
Block 201, Lot V, Montgomery street, Martin Devitt.....	123 75
Block 201, Lot U, Montgomery street, Martin Devitt.....	123 75
Block 201, Lot T, Montgomery street, J. T. Gough.....	385 00
Block 201, Lot R, Grove street, J. & W. W. Van Cleff.....	165 00
Block 201, Lot P, Grove street, J. & W. W. Van Cleff.....	96 25
Block 201, Lot O, Grove street, J. & W. W. Van Cleff.....	96 25
Block 201, Lot N, Grove street, Mrs. A. Hammond.....	96 25
Block 201, Lot M, Grove street, Est. Jacob Erwin.....	96 25
Block 201, Lot L, Grove street, Patrick Rooney....	115 50
Block 201, Lot K, Grove street Wiliam Roberson	123 75
Block 201, Lot J, Grove street Martha Bumsted	123 75
Block 201, Lot H, Grove street, Mary A. Bumsted	233 75
Block 201, Lot G, Mercer street, John Durken..	71 50
Block 201, Lot F, Mercer street, Peter Smith	71 50
Block 201, Lot 45, Mercer street, Margaret and Thomas J. Mann.	110 00
Block 201, Lot 44, Mercer street, Margaret and Thomas J. Mann.	82 50
Block 201, Lot 43, Mercer street, Aug. Fingardo..	68 75
Total.. .. ..

be received and ordered entered in full upon the minutes, and that the City Collector be and is hereby directed to cause the tax bills to be made out and payment demanded on the same from the persons named in the communication referred to.

Adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

From the Board of Street and Water Commissioners:—

The following resolution, adopted by the above named Board April 13, 1896, was received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:—

1. Ordering paid certain claims.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported recommending that the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Street and Water Commissioners be concurred in:—

1. Ordering paid the following claims:—

February 20, 1896—A. Datz, $375.

April 13, 1896—H. F. Hayes, $65.80; F. P. Woodcock, $12.25; Theo. Smith & Bro., $44.61; A. Datz, $8; Savage & Callary, $32.40; Brown & Miller, $356.43.

The report was received and the resolutions were each concurred in by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

The Committee on Salaries and Claims reported recommending that the following claims be ordered paid:—

$140 to Randolph Perkins for drawing deeds of property purchased by the city and sold to private purchasers.

$22.50 to Jersey City News, printing blank forms for use under Martin act.

$50.47 to George B. Fielder, recording deeds of property bought by the city at tax sales.

$32 to Jersey City Printing Company for furnishing deed book to City Clerk's office.

$25 to F. P. Van Saun for typewriting for City Comptroller's office for the month of April, 1896, when due.

$30 to C. S. Westervelt for itemizing reports of Commissioners of Adjustment for month of April, 1896, when due.

(All chargeable to account of Martin act.)

$66.66 to Albert Payne, services as marshal of Second District Court for month of April, 1896, when due.

$70 to H. A. Lush, services as assistant to clerk First District Court for April, 1896, when due.

(Both chargeable to account fees District Courts.)

$40 to Peter Golden, tending fires in City Hall for month of April, 1896, when due.

(Chargeable to account of salaries.)

The same committee further reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of salaries for the month of April, 1896, when due, as follows:—

$416.66 to P. F. Wanser, Mayor.

$250 to S. D. Dickinson, City Treasurer.

$250 to G. R. Hough, City Comptroller.

$250 to S. H. Smith, City Collector.

$125 to C. S. Westervelt, Deputy City Comptroller.

$125 to J. H. Ackerman, Deputy City Collector.

$125 to William F. Ely, Deputy City Treasurer.

$100 to F. P. Van Saun, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$83.33 to M. M. Kenyon, Clerk to City Comptroller.

$416.66 to John A. Blair, Corporation Counsel.

$291.66 to Spencer Weart, Corporation Attorney.

$150 to Martin Finck, Clerk of Board of Finance

$83.33 to W. C. Dunn, Assistant to Clerk Board of Finance.

$100 to W. H. Tuttle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Stephen M. Egan, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to John Wandle, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to Charles F. Krebs, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to William H. Vermilyea, Clerk to City Collector.

$100 to H. J. Burns, Clerk to City Collector.

$60 to James L. Merritt, Messenger to City Collector.

$125 to T. K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk.

$125 to J. P. Wanser, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to T. J. Cummings, Clerk to City Clerk.

$100 to James H. Clark, Clerk to City Clerk.

$250 to L. D. Fowler, Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

$125 to J. J. Nevin, Secretary to Mayor.

$75 to E. T. Morgan, Clerk to Mayor.

$100 to William C. Broas, Collector of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

$125 to T. Y. Brown, Draughtsman to Assistant to Board of Tax Commissioners and Assessment Clerk.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following named persons for salaries for the month of April, 1896, when due, to wit:—

$30 to Honora Lamb, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Bridget Parker, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Kate Battersbee, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Ellen Outwater, for cleaning rooms.

$30 to Mary Looney, for cleaning rooms.

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of claims for printing official minutes during the month of April, 1896, when due, as follows:—

The Jersey City News, $229.16.

The Evening Journal, $229.16.

The Jersey City Herald, $229.16.

The reports were received and the resolutions were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of a resolution ordering paid the following claim:—

$20 to Peter Golden for services as messenger in offices of Mayor and Board of Finance, for April, 1896, when due.

Chargeable to account of printing, stationery, etc. (year 1895-1896.)

The report was received and the claim was ordered paid by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Bailey moved that when this Board adjourns it be to meet on Thursday, April 23, 1896, at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

Adopted.

The following resolutions were presented and received and they were each adopted by the following vote on the call for the ayes and nays by the President:—

Ayes—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Nays—None.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved,, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan, County Collector, for the sum of $20,000, on account of county taxes of 1895.

By Mr. Bailey:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, to be deposited to the credit of May, 1896, interest, as follows:—

On general account	$18,569 32
On general account, to pay interest on assessment account bonds	15,000 00
On water account	19,635 00
Total	$53,204 32

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the following salaries of the members of the Board of Finance, when due:—

John M. Jones, from January 24, 1896, to April 23, 1896 (both inclusive), three months, $125.

James S. Bailey, from January 24, 1896, to April 23, 1896 (both inclusive), three months, $125.

J. W. Hardenbergh, from January 24, 1896, to April 23, 1896 (both inclusive), three months, $125.

J. J. Detwiller, from January 24, 1896, to April 23, 1896 (both inclusive), three months, $125.

Reuben Simpson, for February, March and April, 1896, $125.

By Messrs. Simpson and Hardenbergh:—

On behalf of the Committee on Salaries and Claims:—

Resolved, That the petition of George Vreeland and others for the cancellation of the folowing assesments on Lot 8, Block 1,416, Linden avenue—Linden avenue and Avenue E sewer, $99.00, and Brown place and Avenue E sewer, $13.20; total, $112.20, presented to this Board this date, be granted, and that the said assessments be and are hereby ordered cancelled by the City Collector, the assesments being of no practical benefit to the premises, and the Corporation Counsel advising this Board to order such cancellation, and that the City Collector be notified.

By Mr. Hardenbergh:—

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer for $42.11 in favor of Albert J. Dayton, attorneys of the rector, wardens and vestrymen of Christ Church in Bergen township, to return amount paid through inadvertance for taxes, year 1896, on tract "A," tract "B," tract "C," respectively, Lot 49, Block 600, Ocean avenue, part Plot 30, Block 600, Forrest street and part Plot 30, Block 600, Clerk street, said amount having been taken off the original assessment by the Commissioners of Appeals, upon applications made to said Commissioners for a reduction, and the amount was paid before the City Collector was notified of such reduction.

By Mr. Simpson:—

Whereas, Under the Act of 1852, entitled "An Act to authorize construction of works for supplying Jersey City and places adjacent with pure and wholesome water," Jersey City has acquired a fran-

chise and vested rights in the waters of the Passaic River between Belleville and Acquackanock, and is authorized to take from the Passaic River as aforesaid a sufficient quantity of pure and wholesome water for the domestic and other uses of its own inhabitants and those of adjacent places; and

Whereas, The said water has been unlawfully polluted to the great injury of Jersey City by certain municipal and other corporations and individuals, contrary to the provisions of the twenty-first section of said act; therefore,

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel be and hereby is directed to take such immediate legal action as may be necessary to maintain the city's vested rights aforesaid, and to enforce the provisions of the said act for the preservation of the water of the Passaic River in a state of purity, and to enjoin all persons or corporations from the present or future contamination of said water in violation of said act or otherwise.

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel be instructed to report at the next regular meeting of this Board the steps he has taken in the premises.

Resolved, That a certified copy hereof be furnished to the Board of Street and Water Commissioners by the clerk of this Board.

On motion of Mr. Simpson the Board then adjourned.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Finance was held in its rooms at the City Hall on Thursday, April 23, 1896, at 11.30 o'clock A. M.

Present—President Jones and Messrs. Bailey, Hardenbergh and Simpson—4.

Absent—Mr. Detwiller—1.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 16, 1896, were approved as engrossed in the minute book, on motion of Mr. Simpson.

The Board, on motion of Mr. Simpson, then adjourned sine die.

MARTIN FINCK,
Clerk.

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